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Cape Fear Presbytery Centennial 1886 - 1986



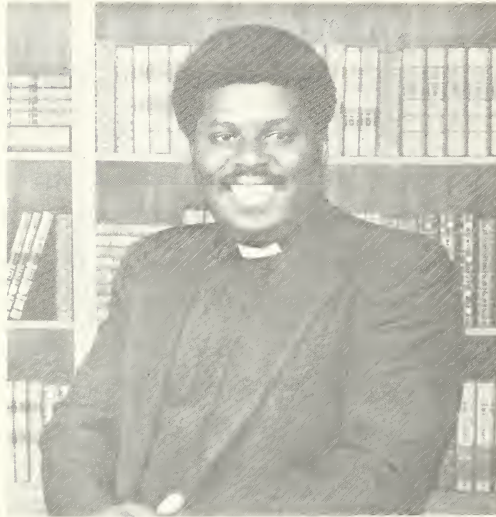
Preserving The Past - Claiming The Future

DEDICATION
To the people of Cape Fear Presbytery
Past and Present

*A century now has grown our birth!
Oh! Lord our God, we raise
Our songs of praise to you
For keeping us protected
Through the storm, through the struggle.
For us, in Cape Fear Presbytery,
It is a liberation for all people,
The rich man, the poor man
The black man, the white man,
And all, people and children of God.
The future is still dark before us
Yet there is gleam of hope today
And we pledge, when we merge,
To glorify you forever and ever
For a greater tomorrow for the Kingdom.*

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Greetings From the Stated Clerk of Cape Fear Presbytery



It is a pleasure to bring greetings to you on the occasion of our Centennial Celebration.

In March, 1886, our benevolent founders brought into being our Presbytery. They were inspired by great dreams, hopes, and aspirations. When we look back upon days gone by, we bow our heads in gratitude and reverence for what this century has brought us. Yet, in the grandeur of our heritage, only we, who bear the mantle, can give validity and immortality to our heritage. As we stand on the pinnacle of this historical moment, we are challenged to turn today's dreams, hopes and aspirations into reality.

It is my sincere desire and prayer that God will continue to bless us in making Cape Fear Presbytery a better governing body than we found upon arrival in this our one hundredth year of Christian service.

Harry J. Miller,
Stated Clerk
Cape Fear Presbytery

Greetings From the Moderator of Cape Fear Presbytery



Greetings, Sisters and Brothers:

As we stand at the threshold of a new era, let us accept with reverence the heritage of high ideals and lofty aspirations handed down to us by the founders and builders of Cape Fear Presbytery.

Cape Fear was organized in Laurinburg, N.C. on May 3rd, 1886, and its first stated meetings were begun in 1887. There the foundations were established upon which we now build.

Here, one hundred years later, the times and challenges are different. We face a secular world which lives without reference to God. While we enjoy the comforts and conveniences of modern technology, much of the world still languishes in hunger, disease, poverty and oppression. We pray for peace in a world with the nuclear power to blast itself to kingdomcome. We face a Church which has been reunited, and now struggles over questions of mission, boundaries, and the empowerment of blacks and minorities. We face a Presbytery with fewer Black pastors, diminishing members, shrinking mission dollars, dormant average-sized churches and failing small churches. These are new challenges which the Presbytery must take seriously.

While the times and challenges are different, the mission is still the same. God is still counting on us to help him personalize his love and justice in the world. He still calls upon us to bear witness to his presence and power. He commissions us still to build an nurture churches which will have a missionary concern for the world for which his Son died.

Much more has been given to us than to our Presbytery forebearers, and much more is expected of us. Pray that we look to our Savior to guide us into the new era and the new church. And let us work and pray that we can bequeath to the coming generations of Black Presbyterians a rich and liberating Christian heritage by which to live and die.

God bless us all,
Ruth R. Brewer, Moderator
Cape Fear Presbytery

Ruth R. Brewer

Greetings From Catawba Inter-Presbytery Program Agency



Dear Partners in Ministry:

The Catawba Inter-Presbytery Program Agency salutes you, the Presbytery of Cape Fear, on this milestone in the history of your engagement in mission and ministry that stretches across the vista of one hundred years.

Our pride in your rich legacy is matched only by our appreciation of the contributions of mission and ministry in eastern North Carolina, the Catawba Inter-Presbytery Program Agency, the Synod of the Piedmont and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

We offer thanks to God for all the noble souls whose devotion, commitment and labor bring us to so rich a legacy. We extend our appreciation to you now at the helm of leadership, for your visionary witness and dedicated endeavor. We laud the forward thrust that your continuing vision and aspirations portend for an even more vibrant work and witness.

May the inexhaustible wisdom of God the Creator, the ever presence of God the Holy Spirit, the unfathomable strength of God the Almighty, the incomprehensible providence of God the Sustainer, and the everlasting love of God the Savior attend your every step as you move forward to the days and years ahead.

Sincerely,
The Catawba Inter-Presbytery Program Agency
Joseph A. Gaston
Executive Presbyter

Joseph A. Gaston

Greetings From The Synod Executive

Dear Members and Friends of Cape Fear Presbytery

Greetings as you celebrate your 100th Anniversary.

The beginnings of Black Presbyterian work in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida had its beginnings in 1869 with the organizing of the Synod of Atlantic. The Synod of Catawba was set apart in 1887 by the General Assembly and thus shared territory with the Synod of Atlantic for several years. When the Catawba Synod was created it contained Cape Fear Presbytery, Catawba Presbytery, and Yadkin Presbytery which had been in Atlantic.

The history of the Presbytery goes way back. It is the history of the development of many people, institutions, and the foundation of community growth and enrichment. It is a proud history of churches that have served their communities long and well.

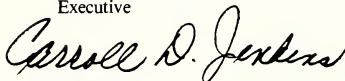
Today, the Presbytery of Cape Fear continues that proud history in its worship, ministry, and service. The proud history is embodied in the dedicated leadership of the Presbytery and in the committed involvement of its communicant members.

We in the other parts of the Synod of the Piedmont celebrate with you the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Presbytery of Cape Fear. We celebrate your commitment to the worship and service of Jesus Christ and your continued witness to your area and, through your churches, the people.

As you celebrate, please be mindful that our prayers and best wishes are with you. Enjoy the celebration and may it energize you to continue to face the challenges ahead.

May God continue to bless, enrich, and use each of you individually and all of us collectively as we move into the next 100 years.

Sincerely,
Carroll D. Jenkins
Executive



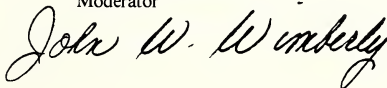
Greetings From The Synod Moderator

Dear Members and Friends of Cape Fear Presbytery:

The Council of the Synod of the Piedmont would like to commend the Cape Fear Presbytery, its churches and members for one hundred years of faithful and courageous discipleship. We hope that we can work together for another one hundred years celebrating the good news brought to us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

May God bless you in your centennial celebration.

Yours in Christ,
John W. Wimberly, Jr.
Moderator



History of Cape Fear Presbytery 1886 - 1986

"Humble beginnings, great endings" is the popular way the growth of the Kingdom is described. It may well describe Cape Fear Presbytery also. Its humble beginning took place in the Galilee Methodist Episcopal Church, Laurinburg, NC, May 3, 1886, at 7:30 p.m. There, a commission of the Atlantic Synod, comprised of R.H. Armstrong, J.A. Cresfield, Clarence Dillard, Henry C. Mabry, F.L. Montgomery, L.A. Rutherford, D.J. Sanders, J.A. Savage, A.A. Scott, and Eli Walker, met and organized the Cape Fear Presbytery. One member, the Rev. Moses A. Hopkins, was away in Liberia. The Presbytery was to be bounded on the North by Virginia, on the East by the Atlantic Ocean, on the South by South Carolina, and on the West by the North Carolina Counties of Durham, Person, Chatham, Moore, and Richmond.

This fledgling Presbytery elected Dr. D.J. Sanders as its first moderator, and Dr. J.A. Savage as its first stated clerk. It was comprised of sixteen small churches: Bethany, Calvary, Chestnut Street, Davie Street, Ebenezer, First Fuller Memorial, Garnett Chapel, Haymount, Panthersford, St. Matthews, St. Paul, Second, Shiloh, Timberland, and Wilson Chapel. St. Paul had the largest membership at 139, and Chestnut Street was second with 111. Other churches ranged in membership from ninety-seven to sixteen.

Had it not been for the indefatigable labor of love of these original members in founding and nurturing Presbyterian churches, there would never have been a Cape Fear Presbytery. They broke virgin territory, going where even the word Presbyterian was strange and unknown. In the absence of public schools for black people, and with general unenlightenment with regards to Presbyterianism, they established parochial schools where there were churches. They met with communities which were less than cordial and often antagonistic to their aspirations. Yet, with unswerving determination these brave missionaries forged ahead until God gradually crowned their efforts with success.

Dr. D.J. Sanders held together groups of black Presbyterians who had withdrawn from the Southern Church after Emancipation until they could be organized into churches. From such groups were formed Bethany, Fuller Memorial, Panthersford, and Wilson Chapel in the mid-1870's. Dothan grew out of Wilson Chapel. Dr. Henry Clay Mabry directed his missionary energies toward gathering and organizing Second Presbyterian Church at Whiteville, NC, and another church at Lake Waccamaw. Dr. Clarence Dillard labored at Shiloh Presbyterian Church in Goldsboro, NC, and organized churches in Wayne, Lenoir, Greene, Wilson, and Edgecombe counties. Salaries were at an all time high of \$3.50 per Sunday. He also helped in organizing Calvary, Elm City, LaGrange, Mt. Pisgah, St. James, St. John, St. Matthews, Shiloh, Sloan's Chapel, and White Rock. Dr. Savage provided Christian nurture for these young churches. While he did not organize any church, he traveled by ox-cart across southeastern North Carolina, stopping several days at one church and then another, to teach, preach, encourage, and support churches. Others who have carved their names indelibly into the history of the Presbytery are the Rev. Allen A. Scott, Rev. Eli Walker, Rev. H.H. Boone, all of whom served as early pastors. Rev. Boone was also the first Sunday School missionary. Professor Samuel H. Vick, his successor, spared no effort in establishing Sunday Schools in dozens of towns across eastern North Carolina. George C. Shaw deserves to be remembered for his far-sightedness for establishing the first Presbyterian Church for Negroes in Granville County and in establishing and developing Mary Potter Boarding School at Oxford, NC. So during the 19th and early 20th centuries the Presbytery was bustling with missionary activities.

Many of the youth who attended the parochial schools held within the church buildings later became Presbyterians. With the establishment of public education for black people across the State, these parochial schools were phased out. How to keep these churches alive and active became a growing concern of the Presbytery.

Able leadership was provided to the Presbytery and its churches through its stated clerks down through the years. All of them were well educated, willing to expend themselves for the betterment of the Presbytery, and well informed on Presbyterian polity and law. Dr. Savage, the first stated clerk, became a role model for some of those who would follow. His dedication, judgement, aptness to teach Presbyterian law, and outgoing concern for churches enamored him to ministers and lay people alike. Succeeding him was Dr. John Henry Hayswood. His considerable talents as an educator, writer, parliamentarian, humanitarian and pastor were put to good use. Although others constantly conferred accolades upon him, he was never inflated with self-importance. For sixty-one years, he never missed a Presbytery. After a long tenure, age and poor health forced his retirement. Taking up this office next was Dr. Hampton T. McFadden. What an overwhelming sense of responsibility he brought to this office! With a no-nonsense approach to matters of the Presbytery, a stubborn insistence upon punctuality in all church activities, and an uncommon grasp of Presbyterian laws and polity, he kept things decent and orderly in Presbytery affairs. The early 1970's brought the Rev. Lloyd Morris to the office of stated clerk with his refreshing enthusiasm and humor. That he was not adverse to innovation is

attested by his introduction of telephone conferences for various committees of Presbytery. Upon his recommendation the Presbytery provided his office secretarial assistance for the first time. Presbytery elected the Dr. Gershon Fiawoo, a native of Ghana, educated in Great Britain and America, to be its next stated clerk. He brought to the office a knack for telling the unvarnished truth as he saw it. During a time when the Presbytery was getting acquainted with the new Synod, the Synod of the Piedmont, which was predominately white, the stated clerk was unafraid to expose whatever racism he saw lurking behind any activity of the Synod. Following Dr. Fiawoo, the Rev. Harry J. Miller took office. He helped carry the Presbytery through a particularly dark period. It was embroiled in a judicial case prompted by its intervention in a bitter conflict between one of its pastors and some members of the congregation. After a long and costly period of judicial proceedings, the Presbytery was vindicated and the pastor dismissed from the church.

Down the halls of history of the Presbytery has marched a glorious cavalcade of ministers which has left its mark on the churches. These ministers labored without adequate compensation, to keep churches alive and growing. In the cavalcade were Rev. John Henry Hayswood, pastor of Bethany for fifty-eight years; Rev. James W. Barnette, a man of inexhaustible energy, pastor of Mt. Pisgah; Rev. Benjamin H. Baskervill, a man of good humor who made people laugh, who spent his entire ministry at Chestnut Street; Rev. James Costen, whose farsightedness kept the Presbytery thinking and ahead, pastor of Mt. Pisgah; Dr. H.S. Davis, pastor of Timothy Darling and principal of Mary Potter Academy, Oxford, N.C.; Dr. John R. Dungee, a man of keen intellect who came to the Presbytery through the merger of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and the United Presbyterian Church in 1958; Dr. Arthur H. George, pastor of several churches and later Dean of Johnson C. Smith Seminary, Charlotte; Rev. James B. Francis who developed Fuller Memorial and Whiteville Second Churches. Rev. Obra J. Hawkins, pastor of Calvary and advocate for young pastors; Rev. Oscar McLeod, who was excellent in youth ministry across the Presbytery, pastor of Davie Street; Rev. Blackmon Richardson, the quiet but dedicated pastor of Shiloh; Rev. Ott E. Sanders, an enviable preacher who pastored several churches; Rev. R.C. Scriven who provided strong leadership at Dothan and Wilson Chapel; and many others including Rev. R.N. Cowan, Rev. C.C. Thomas, Rev. C.H.C. White, Rev. R.E. Stitt, Dr. McFadden, Dr. Griggs and Rev. Lloyd Morris. Ministers of recent times who have begun to make their marks upon the Presbytery are: James W. Brown, James A. Christian, Eddie Deas, III., St. Paul Epps, Greshon Fiawoo, Robert Johnson, William E. Johnson, James E. Kearney, Antonio Lawrence, Harry J. Miller, Samuel Stevenson, Arnold G. Walker, Jr. and Clemmon O. Williams.

None of these pastors could have been effective without countless lay persons of the Presbytery who chose to take on heavy responsibilities and give most generously of themselves: Luther Baldwin, Susie Y. Hawkins, D. Don Blockmon and J.E. Wilson of St. Paul; Juanita Barnett, Robert and Ruth Brewer, Thomas Ringer and Alice Spivey of Mt. Pisgah; E.M. Barnes, William Hines, Louise Jenkins, J.M. Miller, and Malcolm Williams of Calvary; Roy Bass and Roberta Howell of Timothy Darling; Leo M. Hatton, O.T. Robinson, J.E. Wilson, S.G. Parham, Gertrude Stitt Bullock and Alma Spencer of Cotton Memorial; Sadie M. Burton and Annie Burns of Haymount; Mable Carter and J.D. Sammons of Faison Mem.; Lethia and Willie Daniels of Davie Street; Jonelle Davis of St. James; Eliza Dudley and Elizabeth White of Ebenezer; R.L. Flanagan of White Rock; William Gaines, Shirley McEachin of Dothan; Ethel T. Hayswood, Celestine B. Jones, Elizabeth S. Kemp, Atalanta B. Lewis, James O. Scipio, Dorothy M. Washington, George Young, Maggie B. McLeod and A. Lawrence Ridley of Bethany; B.T. Washington and Gertrude Evans of Chestnut St.; Yvonne Hodges and Ernestine Wall of Mars Hill; James O. Harris of Mt. Pleasant; Ailey M. Young and Duval Purefoy of Spring Street; Bettina Wilson of Trinity; and many, many, more.

With the 1960's America was plunged into the Civil Rights Movement, and the Presbytery faced both the struggles and opportunities of these tempestuous years. The national church began facing the racism within itself, and opening up the system to permit more upward mobility of blacks. Rev. Oscar McLeod, only in his early thirties, was named chair of the Council on Religion and Race, and later the Director of the Program Agency of the denomination, a historic first. The Presbytery agonized over the Angela Davis dilemma, a black woman activist of Marxist persuasion, charged as an accomplice to a murder. Presbytery recommended offerings to be taken to assist in her legal defense.

There was the Elm City racial incident. The Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church had invited a white church work team from the North to share in repairing the Elm City Church during the summer of 1965. The work team, made up of several adults and a number of teenagers, was housed in the homes of members. Once the Ku Klux Klan got news of this, it robed and met, two hundred strong, at the Elm City church in broad daylight, surrounded the group working there, and threatened to do bodily harm to all involved if the team didn't leave town. The team departed out of fear of violation. Presbytery had its members meet at the work site to continue the work and raise a witness to the cause of racial justice. Once state troopers provided a police escort for the workers to and from the church, and this incident attracted media attention, the KKK chose to retreat.

The counter culture revolution which came during the late 1960's and early 1970's impacted the Presbytery less dramatically than it did the Presbyterian Church as a whole. In 1966 the Presbyterian Church experienced its first net

loss in membership, a loss of 10,000 communicants. Over the next ten years it suffered a combined net loss of 617,000 members, a 22% decrease in membership. Over that same period the Presbytery experienced an 8% decrease in membership, a decline from 2,900 to 2,331 communicants. What seemed to have caused this loss, aside from the usual deaths, was the alienation of the young from the church and a de-emphasis upon evangelism. Sadly, the evangelistic fervor of the early days of the Presbytery had vanished. Still, some significant ministries were developing. Mt. Pisgah had a daycare. St. Paul had a daycare. Bethany was part of an ecumenical service organization. Elizabethtown Second, St. James, and Elm City had tutorial, enrichment, and educational programs during the summer.

More and more churches moved towards self-support during the 1970's and 1980's. Aid to congregations over this period gradually decreased. In 1960 fourteen churches, mostly the larger congregations, received aid, but by the late 1970's that number had been reduced to eight. And those were receiving less aid, by and large, than in earlier years. Churches were beginning to take greater financial responsibility for themselves. There are a few churches, however, which may need to continue receiving aid in order to support full-time pastors.

Mission giving during the 1960's and 1970's was good. The Presbytery participated in both the 50 Million fund in the 1960's and the Major Mission Fund in the late 1970's and early 80's. Many people gave generously to both funds.

The Presbytery became part of an enlarged Synod in 1972, the Synod of the Piedmont, which stretched from Delaware to North Carolina. And it began its acquaintanceship with those predominately white presbyteries north of the Catawba Unit. About this same time, it rewrote its by-laws and redesigned its docket to accommodate more workshops during its stated meetings. It worked hard to fill all of its vacant pulpits, and gradually increased its minimum salary level for pastors, which was woefully inadequate. It succeeded in attracting new, young, trained, and energetic ministers to its churches. In the face of the dire shortage of black pastors, Calvary, Davie Street, and St. Paul opted to call white pastors for a time. Under their leadership, Frank Hutchinson at Davie Street, Reverends John Worchester and John Dietz at Calvary, and Rev. Charles Farmer at St. Paul, these churches seemed to move ahead. Reverends John Worchester and John Dietz were both well versed in Presbyterian law and polity, and added much to the orderly conduct of Presbytery as well as to the leadership as a whole. Whether the calling of white pastors shall presage the future remains to be seen.

Aside from working to fill all vacant pulpits, the Presbytery attempted to revitalize congregations. Through conducting more workshops, in and out of Presbytery meetings, stewardship, evangelism, pensions, personnel committees, hunger, the Presbytery hoped to inspire and challenge local churches to do mission. While it talked of the need for more yoking and merging of churches, little was done. In 1985 it finally organized a hunger committee and established a chapter of Black Presbyterians United. It increased its per capita assessment dramatically over the last several years to provide more realistically for its work. Its per capita budget grew from \$14,000.00 in the 1960's to nearly \$70,000.00 in the 80's. In addition a mission budget was added in 1981 to assist ministerial candidates, provide emergency grants for pensioners, and underwrite workshops.

With the reunion in 1983 of the United Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church in the United States, the Presbytery has held several joint meetings with both groups. The Presbytery has also been engaged in boundary discussions. These discussions have made members of Cape Fear aware of the necessity of maintaining their integrity and having decision-making power whenever the new presbytery is formed.

What does the future hold for the churches which have for so long shaped the history of this Presbytery? What Presbytery will be celebrated in the next 100 years? Who but God knows! For it has been God, ultimately, who shaped much of their past, and it will be He who will shape their future. Reunion may well lead to the dissolution of the Presbytery as we now know it. But change has always been, and will always be, for the God who makes all things new. If we who have been part of this Presbytery can recall from whence we have come, remember those extraordinary men who gave this Presbytery birth, and those who followed who gave it a sense of mission, then we can be better prepared to enter the unknown future with hope. Humble beginnings, to be sure, characterized our past, but will great endings characterize our future?



Catawba Inter-Presbytery Program Agency Charlotte, North Carolina

The Catawba Inter-Presbytery Program Agency, commonly referred to as the Unit, had its birth with the inception of the Synod of the Piedmont in 1972. It was first staffed by Dr. Elo Henderson, Executive Presbyter/Associate Synod Executive; Rev. Robert Craghead, Mission Developer; Rev. State Alexander, Christian Education Consultant; and Rev. Robert Shirley, Community Developer. Support staff included Ms. Willie D. Garvin, administrative secretary; Ms. Sula Henderson, secretary, and Ms. Ann Law, bookkeeper/clerk.

It had the task of developing and administering programs, developing and providing resources, administering funds assigned to it, forming a Corporation, and employing and supervising a staff. The Catawba Inter-Presbytery Program Agency administers to four all-Black Presbyteries: Catawba, Cape Fear, Yadkin, and Southern Virginia.

Once the Unit staff was in place, it created a Board of Directors made up of six elected persons from each of the four presbyteries, and then formed a Corporation made up of all members of the presbyteries with the Board of Directors as the trustees.

It was not long before the Unit was busy conducting workshops on Christian Education, church revitalization, evangelism, stewardship, and church reunion. An annual workshop that grew quite popular was the Moderator's Conference. It was held in a central location usually, and was led by capable pastors, Synod, General Assembly, and Unit staff, and explored a wide range of concerns. The current moderator of the General Assembly would come and address the participants. It provided a marvelous opportunity for fellowship.

When the denomination was implementing **Christian Education: Shared Approaches**, the new curriculum, the Rev. State Alexander, along with other trained lay persons, held area workshops across each of the four presbyteries. They helped to introduce and implement this curriculum across the Unit.

To get congregations into mission, which focused on community needs, Rev. Robert Shirley met with scores of churches to assist them in getting started. Local church leadership was apprised of the mission opportunities at their doorstep. As a consequence, some churches started tutorial, summer enrichment, luncheon, and senior citizens programs.

The retirement of Dr. Elo Henderson, a charismatic leader, in December 1977 was like the closing of an era. He had served as an executive in both the former Catawba Synod and the Catawba Unit, and gained the respect of the presbyteries for his advocacy and programmatic leadership. His departure was marked by grief, and yet it signaled the beginning of a new era.

With the executive position vacant, a review of the Unit was conducted during the first part of 1978. It was complicated by the fact that the Catawba Presbytery was insisting upon having its own administrative unit, and church reunion seemed imminent. Despite these impinging concerns, the review was completed. It called for a reduced staff with new job descriptions. There was to be an Executive, an Educational Development Consultant, and a Mission and Stewardship Consultant, with support staff. All former staff positions were terminated.

An Interim Management Team drawn from the Board of Directors served as an interim executive for a time. In late 1980 the Team presented the name of Dr. James R. Hampton for confirmation as the new Executive Presbyter. All four presbyteries voted in the affirmative, and in January, 1981, he assumed office with great enthusiasm and vigor. Other members on Dr. Hampton's team were Rev. State Alexander, Christian Education Consultant; John Bennett, Stewardship and Mission Consultant; Ms. Willie D. Garvin, administrative assistant; and Ms. Ann Law, clerk.

Hardly had Dr. Hampton settled into office before death struck in April, 1983, and again the Unit was without executive leadership. This time the Rev. Carroll D. Jenkins, Synod Executive, assumed the interim executive role while a search committee went to work. In September, 1983, the Dr. Raymond Worsley, Charlotte, was appointed as interim.

Having been a college professor and pastor of a church, Dr. Worsley was well qualified for the position of Catawba Unit Executive. He was enthusiastic about his work. He inspired Presbyterians to dream. He attempted to hold his staff more accountable to the Unit. However, the romance of the parish ministry won out over the pressures of the Catawba Unit office and he resigned April, 1985.

After a brief resumption of this position by Rev. Carroll Jenkins of the Synod of the Piedmont, a new interim executive was found in the person of Dr. Joseph A. Gaston. He had also been a college professor and pastor of a church. Dr. Gaston will serve the Unit office until the boundary lines are established for the new presbyteries to be formed within the reunited church.

The Catawba Unit has gone through change, and as reunion and presbytery boundaries continue to take shape, it will go through further change. However, let us work and pray that whatever administrative units are devised in the future, they will include Black staff and serve the needs of Black congregations as well or better than the Catawba Unit has done.



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Thanks Be To God

for the Six Stated Clerks

of

Cape Fear Presbytery

representing

One Hundred Years

of

Dedicated Christian Discipleship

1886 - 1986

Rev. Dr. John A. Savage, D.D.
1886 - 1927



Rev. Dr. John H. Hayswood, D. D.
1928 - 1958



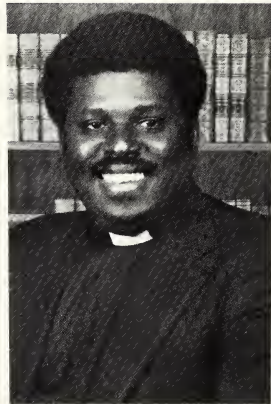
Rev. Dr. Hampton T. McFadden, D.D.
1958 - 1972

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Rev. Lloyd B. Morris
1972 - 1976



Rev. Dr. Gershon B. Fiawoo
1976 - 1982



Rev. Harry J. Miller
1983 - Present

MODERATORS 1886 - 1986

*Nurturers of the
Faith and Life
Through the Years
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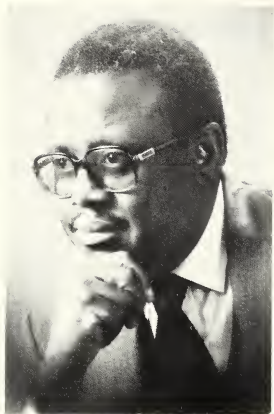
Rev. B. H. Baskervill
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Rev. R. C. Scriven, Sr.
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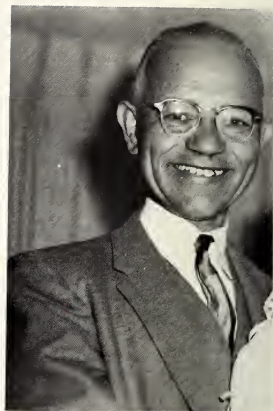
Rev. R. E. Stitt
1953 & 1961



Rev. James A. Costen
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Rev. Robert L. Shirley
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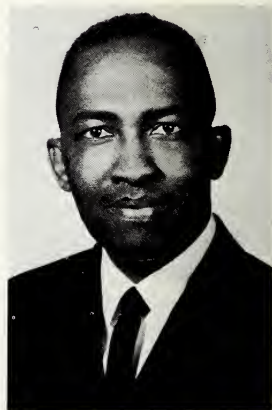
Rev. Dr. John R. Dungee
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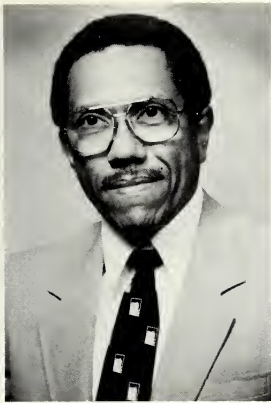
Rev. C. E. Lennon
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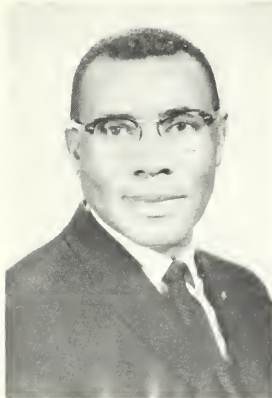
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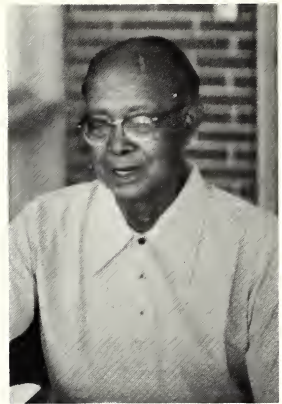
Rev. Clarence H. Thomas
1965



Rev. Arnold G. Walker, Jr.
1968



Rev. O. J. Hawkins
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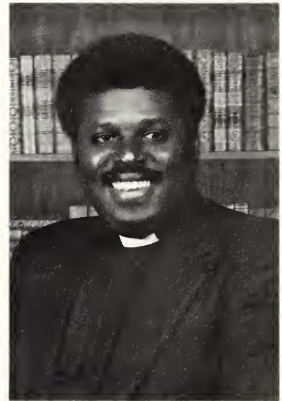
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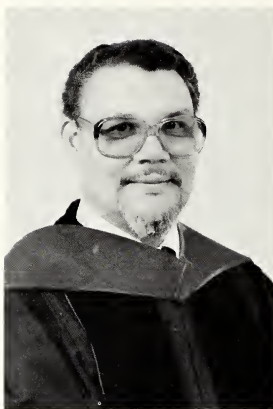
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Rev. Harry J. Miller
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Elder M. Yvonne Hodges
1982



Rev. Kay-Robert Volklijn
1983



Elder Lethia Daniels
1984



Rev. James A. Christian
1985



Elder Ruth Brewer
1986

Other Moderators of Cape Fear Presbytery

1886 - Dr. D. L. Sanders
 1950, 1974, 1981 - Elder J. O. Scipio
 1954 - Elder M. D. Williams
 1955 - Elder John M. Miller
 1956 - Elder E. R. Bostic

1962 - Rev. B. R. Richardson
 1963 - Rev. Robert W. Hare
 1966 - Elder T. M. Ringer
 1971 - Rev. L. John Worcester
 1972 - Rev. Otto E. Sanders

1973 - Juanita T. Barnette
 1975 - Elder Louise Jenkins
 1978 - Rev. Lloyd B. Morris
 1980 - Rev. Hubert Reaves, Jr.



Merged Churches

Elm City Presbyterian Church
 Elm City, North Carolina

Merged With

Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church
 Rocky Mount, North Carolina

Stovall Presbyterian Church
 Stovall, North Carolina

Merged With

Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church
 Oxford, North Carolina

Townsville United Presbyterian Church
 Townsville, North Carolina

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 Henderson, North Carolina

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 Kittrell, North Carolina

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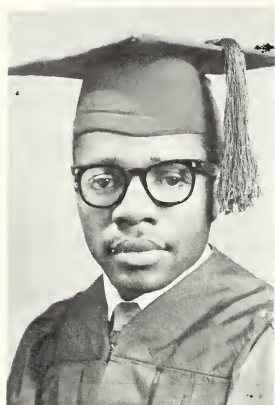
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 And
 Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church
 Franklinton, North Carolina

Whitesville Presbyterian Church
 Whitesville, North Carolina

Merged With

Fuller Memorial Presbyterian Church
 Chadbourn, North Carolina

Present Pastors



Rev. William Johnson
Second Presbyterian Church
Elizabethtown, N.C.
Fuller Memorial Presbyterian Church
Whiteville, N.C.



Rev. Robert Johnson
Ebenezer Presbyterian Church
New Bern, N. C.



Rev. Samuel Stevenson
Calvary Presbyterian Church



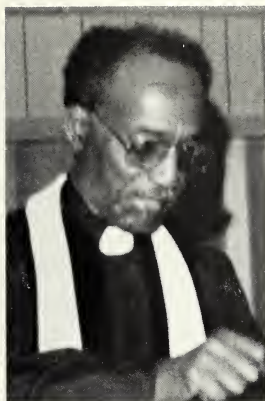
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Goldsboro, N.C.
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Rev. Eddie Deas
Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church



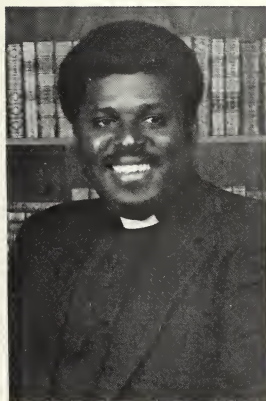
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Dr. Gershon Fiawoo
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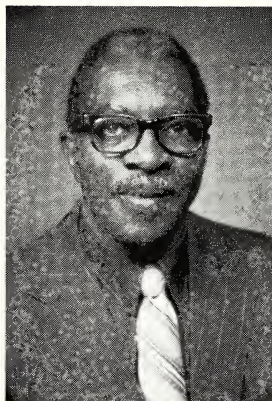
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Lumberton, N.C.



Rev. H. J. Miller
Haymount Presbyterian Church
Fayetteville, N.C.



Dr. Vernie L. Bolden
Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church
Henderson, N.C.



Rev. J. W. Brown
Davie Street Presbyterian Church

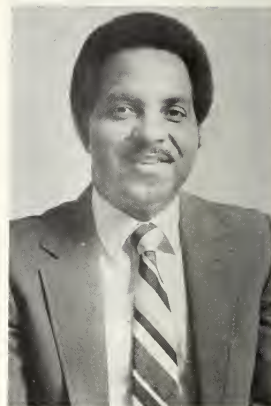
Retired Pastors or Pastors Who Are No Longer Serving



Dr. Kay-Robert Volkwijn
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1976 - 1984



Rev. Clarence E. Lennon
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1957 - 1961



Rev. James A. Dickens
Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church
1970 - 1975



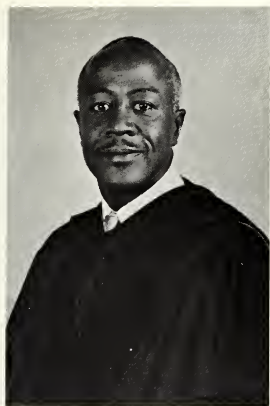
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Fuller Memorial Presbyterian Church



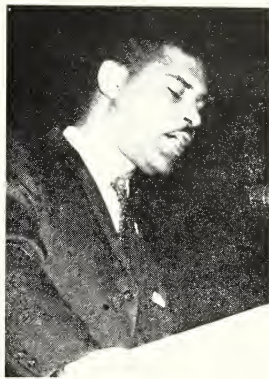
Rev. Charles J. Farmer
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Louisburg, N.C. 1980 - 1985



Dr. St. Paul Epps
Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church
1942 - 1946



Rev. Otha Harris
Trinity Presbyterian Church
Smithfield, N.C. 1943 - 1947



Rev. Robert Shirley
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Raleigh, N.C.



Rev. J. Oscar McCloud
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Raleigh, N.C.



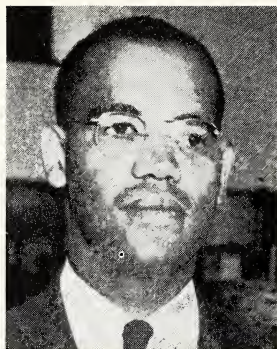
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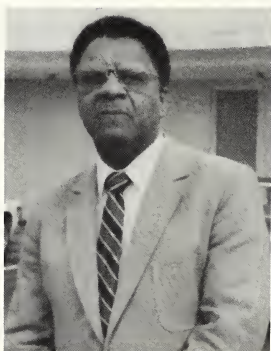
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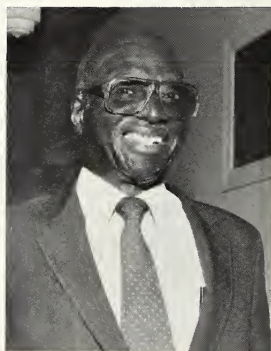
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Rev. C. Andre Kearns
Davie Street Presbyterian Church
Raleigh, N.C.



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1976 - 1982



Rev. James Barnett
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Rocky Mount, N.C.

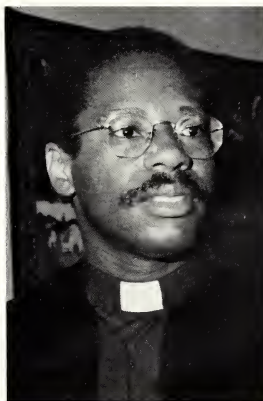
Other Pastors Serving in the Cape Fear Presbytery



Rev. Carl Herring
Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church



Rev. C. L. Faison
Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church



Rev. Charles Conley
Dothan Presbyterian Church

IN MEMORIAM



*In honor and sacred memory of
the founders and faithful workers of
Cape Fear Presbytery down through the years
whose visions and labors are still
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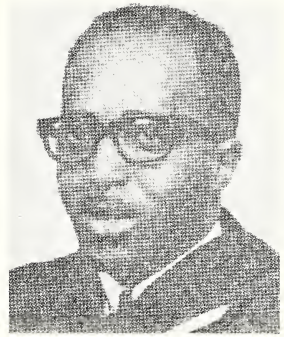
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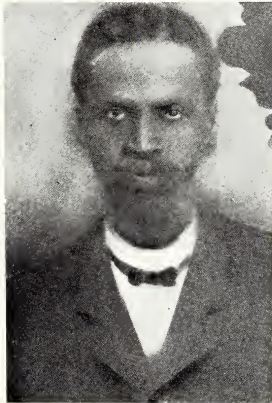
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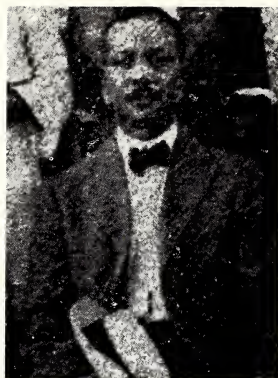
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Rev. E. J. Gregg
Haymount Presbyterian Church
Fayetteville, N.C.



Rev. T. T. Branch
 Haymount Presbyterian Church
 Fayetteville, N.C.



Rev. Matthew Stewart Branche
 Second Presbyterian Church
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Rev. R. C. Scriven
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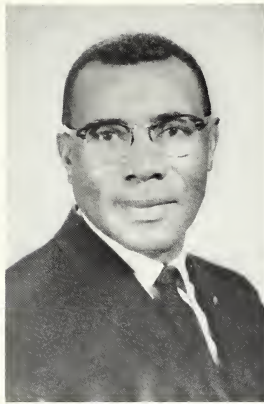
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 Fuller Memorial Church
 Chadbourn, N.C.
 Central Presbyterian Church
 Clarkton, N.C.



Dr. John Henry Hayswood
 Bethany Presbyterian Church
 Lumberton, N.C. 1903 - 1958
 Founder and Principal of Redstone Academy
 1903 - 1933



Dr. Hermon S. Davis
 Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church
 1937 - 1956
 Principal - Mary Potter School
 1936 - 1956



Rev. Obra Jeffrey Hawkins
 Mars Hill Presbyterian Church
 Hope Mills, N. C. 1963 - 1984



Rev. Hampton T. McFadden
 St. Paul Presbyterian Church
 Louisburg, N. C. 1921 - 1979



Rev. C. H. C. White
 Ebenezer Presbyterian Church
 New Bern, N. C. 1939 - 1975



Rev. Robert E. Stitt, Sr.
 Lillington Field Churches
 1948 - 1977



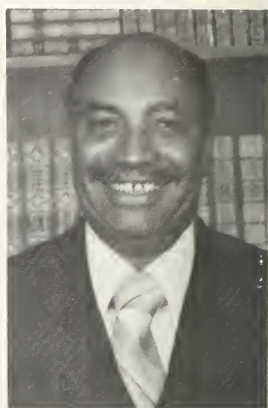
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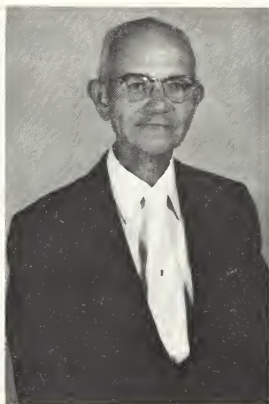
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 Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church
 1888 - 1936
 Founder and Principal
 Mary Potter School 1888 - 1936



Rev. J. A. Cotton, D. D.
 Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church
 Principal, Henderson Institute



Rev. William R. Walls
 Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church
 1962 - 1969



Dr. John Riley Dungee, D.D.
 Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church
 1936 - 1942, 1946 - 1968



Rev. Turner G. Williamson
 Served in the ministry 1900 - 1926

A Brief History Of Bethany Presbyterian Church Lumberton, North Carolina



It was not by chance that Bethany Presbyterian Church began, but it was the work of God's providence in dealing with the founding families. Some of the first members of the church were taught to read and write before Emancipation. They were also privileged to attend church services with their masters.

After Emancipation, the knowledge gained from having attended Presbyterian services gave our founding families the courage and faith in God to do Christ's mission through establishing a Black church. In 1875 Bethany was organized informally with families meeting in homes. The first families of the early church were the Peter Campbells, the Blounts, the Joseph Frances, the William Hoopers, the Travis Lewises, the Fletcher McNeills, the Wesley McNeills and the Addison Roberts. Later they were joined by A.S. Avery and G. McQueen. White Presbyterian ministers conducted worships at intervals for the young church. Notable among them were a Rev. Sinclair and his son, who took a special interest in the spiritual welfare of Black people.

In 1876 Bethany Presbyterian Church of Lumberton, North Carolina was organized formally as a mission church by the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. The following year the Rev. W.E. Carr, pastor of Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N.C. served Bethany as a stated supply. He was succeeded by Dr. D.J. Sanders in 1878. Finally, in 1879 the Rev. S.L. Stevenson was called as the regular pastor of Bethany and Panthersford Churches.

Rev. Stevenson began the earliest church building. Mr. Addison Roberts, an elder, gave the first load of logs for lumber for the building. The building was completed under the ministerial leadership of Rev. A.B. Lawrence and Dr. L.A. Rutherford during the years 1880-82. The ministers serving the church following the completion of the building, from 1883-1902, were Reverends Johnson, Williams and A.G. Davis.

On January 1, 1903, Dr. John Henry Hayswood was called as pastor to the Bethany, Panthersford and Rowland mission churches. During that year Bethany School, later known as Redstone Academy, was established as an elementary and secondary school for Blacks. All three churches and the school were supported by the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. Dr. Hayswood with his wife, Mattie Jane, labored to help the church grow. With the help of the congregation, they enlarged the church building and made plans for the present brick and stone building which stands today.

Construction of the present church building began in 1932. Elder William Hooper, Jr., a building contractor, drew the plans for the church and supervised the work. Many members gave free labor. The church building was completed and dedicated in 1938.

A number of firsts were established under the able leadership of Dr. J.H. Hayswood. In 1923 the first Vacation Bible School was established in the area. In 1937 the first Boy Scout troop was chartered. In 1939 the first church bus was put in service to bring people to worship. It was donated by the pastor. And in 1955 an Annual Homecoming was begun. It provided the opportunity for members of the church and former students of Redstone Academy to return home, renew ties, reminisce, and recommit themselves to Christian mission. In all of these activities Bethany and Redstone Academy seemed inextricably tied together. Such alliance lasted nearly fifty years.

During the fifty-three year pastorate of Dr. Hayswood, a number of members assumed positions of leadership in both the local church and on other levels of the denomination. Among such leaders was Mrs. Atalanta Bryan Lewis, whose knowledge and expertise in the area of Christian education were constantly in demand. In 1958 Dr. Hayswood died while still the pastor.

In 1959 Dr. Gershon Fiawoo became the stated supply, with Dr. H.S. Davis and Rev. C.H. Thomas serving as moderators. The Rev. Franklin D. Wilson was called as pastor that year. During his pastorate the rotary system of officers was introduced. In August, 1962, the Rev. Arnold G. Walker, Jr., was called as pastor. Ready to expand its program and mission, the congregation welcomed his arrival.

An extensive renovation of the physical plant was begun at once, and continued over a number of years. Included in the renovation were a pastor's office furnished by the men, a memorial room furnished by the women, a central heating/air conditioning system, the carpeting of the sanctuary, the partitioning of classrooms with folding walls, bathrooms upstairs and down, and a kitchen. Later, a new organ and several used school buses were acquired, and the old Redstone Academy property was purchased for further expansion of the church cemetery.

The program of the church began to grow along with the building program. A new order of worship was adopted by the Session. Women were elected as elders for the first time. Mrs. Ethel T. Hayswood, widow of the late Dr. J.H. Hayswood, was the first woman elder elected in 1964. The ministry of music was enhanced with the establishment of a youth choir, a children's choir, a gospel choir and a choral ensemble over a period of time. The adult choir, the mainstay of the church until then, was renamed in honor of Mrs. Ella R. Gavin, organist for over forty years.

The church gradually involved itself in important community concerns over the years either formally or informally. Members were named by Session to various community organizations. Among these were the Robeson County Church and Community Center, an ecumenical service organization, the Robeson County Clergy and Laity, Inc., an advocacy organization concerned for economic development, legal justice and citizen participation in community affairs. Members of the church have served on numerous organizations: Lumberton Board of Education, Lumberton City Council, Lumberton Christian Care Center, Robeson County Black Caucus, Robeson County Child and Family Justice Committee, Robeson County Department of Social Services, Robeson County Health Department, Robeson County Democratic Party, Tutorial Services of the Robeson County Juvenile Court, Robeson County Group Homes, Southeastern General Hospital Board.

Since the seventies special ministries have developed in the church. The A.B. Lewis Scholarship Fund was launched in 1975 to assist youth in furthering their education beyond high school. A tutorial and enrichment program was created in 1980 to enhance the educational competence of junior highs. And an Extended Care Ministry to the local hospital was begun in 1982 by a few women of the church.

Special historical events which have had great importance to the church recently are these: The Centennial Anniversary of the church which culminated with the October Homecoming in 1976, and the year of 1981 when the church became self-supporting.

Now in 1986 the church stands at the threshold of a hopeful future. While it remains relatively small in membership, through God's providence there remains a cadre of dedicated leaders. While many of its youth leave after graduation in search of better career opportunities elsewhere, new members are being added. With the growing cost of mission, the congregation faces the challenge to become more faithful in its stewardship and evangelism. As in the past it looks to God to empower it and direct its destiny.

The active officers at this time are as follows:

Elders:

Evelyn Bethea, Elizabeth Kemp, Roscoe McLaurin, Frances McQueen, Milton Thomas and George Young.

Deacons:

Linwood Burns, Rachel Floyd, Maceo Kemp, Donald Leach, Edwin Lewis and Willie Mae Powers.

Trustees:

Madie Campbell, Arthur Kemp, Edison McKoy, James McRae and Maggie Richardson.



Calvary Presbyterian Church Wilson, North Carolina



The history of the Calvary Presbyterian Church had its beginning in the concerns and missions of Cape Fear Presbytery. This fledgling judicatory of the national church in its efforts to establish new churches in areas of Eastern North Carolina included Wilson in its missions. Rev. H.H. Boone, a pioneer in the organization of Cape Fear Presbytery, led in the organization of a church in Tarboro, N.C. In 1888, the Board of Publications and Sabbath School Work began its Sabbath School Missionary Work in the presbytery. He became the first Sabbath School Missionary. His work was very successful. He shared in the honor of advancing the cause of Presbyterianism in this section. Prof. S.H. Vick succeeded Rev. Boone. Mr. Vick was given the credit for carrying the banner of Presbyterianism into many regions of Eastern North Carolina. His job was that of expanding the area of the Sabbath School and the Church. There were very few towns in the eastern section of the state that did not feel the effects of the labor of Mr. Vick. Wilson, which became his home, was no exception.

Calvary was organized on August 4, 1889 by a committee of the presbytery that included Mr. Vick and headed by Rev. H.H. Boone of Tarboro and Rev. C. Dillard of Goldsboro. The organization comprised twenty-five members as follows: Mahale Artis, Hattie Barnes, F.O. Blount, William B. Connor, A.D. Dawson, C.A. Farmer, John Gaston, Susie Harris, Abbie Holloway, Lucy Dawson, Patrick Leach, A.J.C. Moore, L.H. Peacock, Edmund Poole, Mary Stephens, Hardy Tate, S.H. Vick, Daniel Vick, B.R. Winstead, and J.J. White.

Calvary occupied a unique position among the churches of the community in that it was the only Colored Presbyterian Church. It differed in its polity, doctrine, discipline, and order of worship. Its organization created some feeling of ill-will among some members of the community. They felt that its organization was unnecessary. Then, too, some of its members came from other churches. For a while, there was bitterness by those churches.

During its long history, Calvary has had the pastorate of many ministers. A review of its record reveals the following tenures: Rev. George Carson, its first pastor, came on January 1, 1890 and served until January 31, 1891; Rev. L.J. Melton came December 1, 1891 and remained until April 15, 1897; Rev. C. Dillard came May 1, 1897 and remained until June 1, 1902; Rev. E.A. Mitchell came on June 15, 1902 and remained until April 15, 1903; Rev. C.E. Tucker came on May 1, 1903 and remained until February 1, 1908. The pulpit remained vacant until June 1, 1909, the date of the coming of Rev. H.B. Taylor. Rev. Taylor remained until June 20, 1920. Rev. A.H. George began his ministry at Calvary on July 20, that same year and remained until December 30, 1929. Rev. J.T. Douglas succeeded Rev. George on June 1, 1930 and remained until February 1, 1933. Rev. C.H. Richmond followed Rev. Douglas on April 30, 1933 and remained until March, 1935. Rev. O.E. Sanders followed him on April 14, 1935 and remained until July, 1938.

The pastorates of the foregoing ministers and the length of their services are given as a profile of the church's early existence. The frequency of the change of leadership contributed to some of the problems of its early years. The pastorates of Calvary from 1933 to the date of this publication include those of Rev. C.H.C. White, Rev. Robert L. Jeans, Rev. O.J. Hawkins, Rev. James Allen, Rev. John Worchester, Rev. John Dietz, and Rev. Samuel Stevenson. Among those who had the longest tenures were Rev. A.H. George, who served nine years; Rev. O.J. Hawkins, who served twenty-one years. Among the shortest was that of Rev. E.A. Mitchell, whose tenure was less than a year. The record is quoted as saying "he preached high-toned, philosophical, classical sermons. They were over the heads of the majority of the church and complaints were made. He thanked us for the information, and on the next Sunday morning after taking his text, he stated that God made no inferior Bible for inferior minds". That statement, the record shows, hastened his departure.

The history of Calvary must include the outstanding leadership of some of the many laymen as well as its pastors. To mention a few in addition to Mr. Vick and others in its founding would include two brothers, Walter and William Hines, C.E. Artis, O.N. Freeman, M.D. Cannon, B.R. Winstead, Hardy Tate, William Kittrell, Mrs. Eleanor Hooker, Miss Olivia Peacock, Mrs. Ruth Hooker Coppedge, Miss Marjorie Simms, Miss Annie Vick, Mrs. Patty Freeman, Mrs. Willie Hargrave Smith, Mrs. Willie Freeman. Indeed, there were many others.

Current Activities of Calvary emphasize its modernity, but it is proud of the successes of its past, and it looks forward to greater service in its future.



Central Presbyterian Church Clarkton, North Carolina

In 1936 a group of concerned persons who were interested in the Presbyterian denomination met with Rev. James B. Francis who was serving Presbyterian churches in Whiteville, N.C. and Chadbourn, N.C. He instructed them in the procedure of organizing a church. The group met with Rev. Francis, Rev. J.H. Hayswood of Lumberton, N.C., Rev. R.L. Jeans, a Sunday School Missionary, and Elder M.M. Fuller of Chadbourn on July 12, 1936 at 4:00 P.M. at a little vacant Indian church near Portersville, N.C. Rev. J.H. Hayswood delivered the sermon. The following officers were elected and installed following the service: Elders Professor Lloyd L. Spaulding and Andrew M. Spaulding. Deacons A.J. Moore, Normon Steele, Sr., and John A. Spaulding. Trustees Hardie Campbell, Evander Jacobs and Arie Lacewell. The organization was named Central United Presbyterian Church.

Rev. James B. Francis was called as the first pastor and he preached at the small Indian church once each month at 4:00 P.M. until 1941. By this time the members had completed the present structure and service continued in the new building with Rev. Francis as the minister until he retired. Rev. M.S. Branch became the second pastor who served for six years. He resided in Warsaw, N.C. After he retired, Rev. Francis came out of retirement and served until his health began to fail in 1966.

Rev. Arnold G. Walker of Lumberton moderated the Session until February 1967. Elder Lessly Solomon filled the pulpit on a temporary basis without a salary. It was under the leadership of Elder Solomon that the first Sunday in October became known as, "Fellowship Sunday". During this special day the women of the church served dinner and a financial drive was held. This celebration continues to this date with an increased participation and rally growing each year. During the period that Elder Solomon gave his services, Rev. B.H. Baskervill of Wilmington, N.C. came bi-monthly to moderate the Session.

On January 2, 1972 Elder Lessly Solomon resigned as temporary supply and Rev. N.R. Cowan of Fayetteville, N.C. began his duty as pastor. He served for nearly two years before his health began to fail. The pulpit was vacant until the first Sunday in April, 1974, when Rev. W.E. Johnson was installed as pastor. He has continued until the present, June 1986. Rev. Johnson has been faithful to the members of this congregation and has assisted in many ways to improve the Christian life of the church.



Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church Wilmington, North Carolina



The present physical plant is the result of an inspired Elder of First Presbyterian Church who attended an Elders and Deacons Convention in Greensboro, North Carolina. Prayer meetings were started to consult and to pray together over the interests of the church. The immediate result of this work of grace was great. In three months forty-two white and twenty colored persons were received into the communion of the church. A Mission Chapel situated on Chestnut Street between Seventh and Eighth was erected in 1858 as a thank-offering for God's mercy and used, for a time, as originally designed.

On November 6, 1858 fourteen persons were dismissed from First Presbyterian Church to form the Second Presbyterian Church, now, St. Andrews Covenant. It was organized by the Presbytery of Fayetteville. The Rev. Martin McQueen became its first minister, after serving as Supply Minister from 1859 until 1863. The building in which this congregation worshipped, from its origin, was erected by the First Presbyterian Church.

October 8, 1866, The Second Presbyterian Church, formerly, St. Andrews Covenant, authorized the following committee, Messrs John A. Taylor, Alexander Sprunt and John C. Latta to sell the Chestnut Street property to the trustees of the First African Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, namely; William Cutlar, Henry Taylor, Elvin Artis, Duncan Holmes, Alfred Hargrave, Owen Burney, David Sadgwar, Edward Davis, Sandy Moore and Mrs. Alice Price.

Among the noteworthy events and happenings over the years are: The establishment of a Parochial School, a manse, additions to the physical plant, a new choir room, stained glass windows in the sanctuary, air conditioning for the sanctuary, erection of a multi-purpose building, a two-unit commercial building and commissioners to the General Assembly.

Pioneers of Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church

Miss Carrie Hargrave was the first missionary to Africa.

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The Rev. D.J. Sanders, a former pastor, was the first Negro president of Biddle University, now Johnson C. Smith University. Rev. Sanders started the first Presbyterian paper while working in this area. It was later published in Charlotte, North Carolina, the church headquarters.

John Holloway was the first Negro clerk in the Wilmington Post Office.

Alex Manly established the first newspaper in the area.

George Edward Davis was a member of the first graduating class of Biddle University, now Johnson C. Smith University.

James Francis Shober was the first Negro physician in the state of North Carolina.

John C. Taylor was the first Negro Deputy Collector of Customs for the Port of Wilmington, North Carolina.

Miss Lenora Hargrave, a graduate of the Freedman Hospital, School of Nursing, was the first registered graduate nurse in Wilmington.

Addie Whiteman Dickerson was one of the first Negro women lawyers in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PAST PASTORS

Peter Hodges	1866-68	J.A. Bonner	1896-1921
J. Nelson	1868-69	Herbert Anderson	1923-24
C. Thomas	1869-70	J.R. Harris	1925-25
W.T. Carr	1870-72	J.W. Smith	1925-26
D.J. Sanders	1872-83	N.A. Johnson	1928-29
A.H. Armstrong	1883-85	J.A. Bonner	1931-35
J.A. Alexander	1885-88	J.D. Taylor	1935-42
A.E. Torrence	1888-92	C.M. Coles	1943-46
David Brown	1892-96	B.H. Baskervill	1947-1986

The church continues to serve the community and to stand as a monument to God.



Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church Henderson, North Carolina



Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church, formerly known as the First United Presbyterian Church of Henderson, was the nucleus around which developed a multiunit mission enterprise of the former United Presbyterian Church of North America. This enterprise consisted of our church, the Townsville U.P. Church, Henderson Institute and Jubilee Hospital, all of which were for many years administered by the late Dr. John Adam Cotton.

Readily available records show that in 1888 a Presbyterian Church was organized in Henderson by one Rev. S.S. Sevier, with only six charter members. Of these Mr. Julius Speed and Mr. W.H. Green were ordained elders and Mr. Hilliard Wyche was ordained a deacon. A deed to the church property on record in the Vance County Court House indicates that this church was originally known as the Simpson Chapel Presbyterian Church and that it was affiliated with Cape Fear Presbytery, Synod of Catawba of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

The Rev. Mr. Fulton offered the assistance of himself and of his missionary workers to the colored churches of the community. His offer was accepted, however, only by the Presbyterian church which accepted it gladly. Mr. Fulton and his associates worked zealously in the Presbyterian church, and their benevolent influence upon the congregation was such as led the members to petition the Mission Boards of the two denominations for permission to transfer from the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. to the United Presbyterian Church of North America. This was under the guidance of the late Dr. G.C. Shaw, who had succeeded the Rev. Mr. Sevier as pastor. Although the Rev. Mr. Fulton was not at first in accord with the proposal, the congregation persisted in petitioning the two Boards until finally permission for the transfer was granted.

It was not until 1898 that a committee was appointed by the Board of the United Presbyterian Church to receive the Henderson congregation formally into the United Presbyterian Church of North America. This committee, consisting of the Rev. J.M. Moore, D.D., principal of Thynne Institute, Chase City, Va., as chairman, Elders Richard Hudson, Edward Williams, and William Finch, met in the Henderson Church on January 14, 1898 to perform this duty. The Rev. Mr. Moore Preached from I Peter 4:10, after which the members desiring to be received, having publicly professed their acceptance of the doctrines and practices of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, as set forth in the Confession of Faith, the Book of Government, and the Directory of Worship, were formally recognized as the First United Presbyterian Church of Henderson, with the Rev. C.L. McCracken, principal of Henderson Institute as pastor.

In July of 1900, the Revs. Woodfin and Johnson having been transferred to other fields, the Rev. J.L. Cook was transferred from Anthens, Tennessee to Henderson, as both pastor and principal. The Rev. Mr. Cook died on July 6, 1903 and was succeeded on August 18 of the same year by Dr. John Adam Cotton as pastor and principal, Professor J.W.O. Garrett having had the work in charge during the interim.

The original little church building was replaced with a spacious brick veneered edifice, during Dr. Cotton's pastorate, which served the congregation until 1958.

With the going of Dr. Cotton to Knoxville College, the Rev. John R. Dungee, an A.B. and B.D. graduate of Johnson C. Smith University, who had since 1936 served as teacher of Bible and Social Science at the Institute and as minister of the U.P. Church at Townsville, assumed charge of the Henderson Church as minister. In April of 1942 he was commissioned as a chaplain in the Army of the United States and the Rev. St. Paul Epps, a graduate of Knoxville College and of Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary became a minister of the Henderson and Townsville U.P. Congregations, serving until August of 1946 when he resigned to take charge of a new field in Los Angeles, California.

In October, 1946 World War II having ended, the Rev. John R. Dungee, then on terminal leave from active duty as army chaplain, was asked to return to Henderson as minister of the Henderson and Townsville congregations. He arrived on the field on November 9, 1946. He ministered to the two congregations with dedicated devotion until they were merged in 1963, and to the merged congregation until his honorable retirement on December 31, 1968.

In 1958 the United Presbyterian Church of North America, in the 100th year of its history, was merged with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to form our present denomination, the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. Our congregation, then affiliated with the former Presbytery of Tennessee, served by Dr. Dungee as Stated Clerk, was transferred back to the Presbytery of Cape Fear with which it had been originally affiliated.

At the time of the denominational merger our church and its affiliate Jubilee Hospital were both in the midst of re-building programs.

The Church building which had served our congregation since 1911 was being replaced by the present sanctuary of contemporary design, to which the Educational Annex was to be added in 1974. Upon the recommendation of Dr. Dungee, the congregation sought and obtained permission of Cape Fear Presbytery to assume the name of Cotton Memorial United Presbyterian Church, a name which it proudly cherishes.

In the winter of 1963, by mutual agreement, the Townsville U.P. Church and the Cotton Memorial United Presbyterian Church, with the permission of Cape Fear Presbytery, were merged as a single congregation with the assets and liabilities of the two being assumed by the merged congregation. About this time the church decided to officially install Dr. Dungee as pastor of the church. Prior to this time the ministers had been appointed to the church as Stated Supply pastors. In 1968 Dr. Dungee retired as pastor and assumed the title of Pastor Emeritus and held this until his demise.

After Dr. Dungee retired the Rev. W. Roscoe Walls was appointed the moderator of the session. Rev. Walls was at that time the pastor of Timothy Darling Presbytery Church in Oxford, N.C. In 1970 the Rev. William Johnson of Norfolk, Va. was called to pastor the church, and remained here until 1974. During his pastorate the church became independent of the Board and ceased to receive Aid-to-Field money to help support its pastor. After Rev. Johnson left, the Rev. John Henry Wilson of Oxford became the Interim Supply Pastor and served for approximately two years.

In July, 1976 the Rev. Abraham L. Edmonds arrived from San Francisco, California and remained until May, 1982. During Rev. Edmonds tenure of service the mortgage was burned on the Educational annex. In the summer of 1982

Dr. Kay-Robert Volkswijn was appointed moderator of the session and served for eighteen months, after which the Rev. James A. Liestman, Chaplain at Murdock Center at Butner, N.C. became the moderator for a few months.

In July, 1984 the Rev. Robert Louis Craghead came to Cotton Memorial from Shelby, N.C. to assume the duties of Interim Supply Minister and remained for eighteen months. During this time the building was made accessible to the handicapped by the erecting of a ramp and an electrical lift.

On March 4, 1986 the Rev. Dr. Vernie L. Bolden moved to Henderson with his family to become pastor of Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Believing in thorough educational preparation and academic excellence for professional ministry and life, Dr. Bolden earned the Bachelor of Arts degree with twin majors in Psychology and Bible & Religion and minors in Philosophy and Spanish, the Bachelor of Divinity degree, the Master of Divinity degree, the Master of Education degree in Guidance and Psychological Services, and the Doctorate degree completing studies in areas of Counseling Psychology, Theology, Comparative Philosophy, and Education. Post doctoral study was pursued in Spanish language and culture.

Vernie is a powerful preacher and a compassionate teacher and human being who evidences positive regard and genuine concern for people, youth and adults alike. He is a staunch supporter of the dignity of each person and the importance of community involvement.

Family members include Dr. Bolden's wife, Margie, and their four children. Margie, active in church life, is a registered medical technologist and university graduate. Beth is a graduate student in the field of counseling and rehabilitation. Tara is an undergraduate in the field of human services, Vernie, Jr. is a high school senior and Lori attends elementary school in Henderson.

Dr. Bolden was duly installed as pastor of Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church on April 27, 1986 in a very beautiful ceremony.

ROSTER OF SERVICES

Sunday School	10:00 A.M.
Worship Service	11:00 A.M.
Holy Communion (1st Sunday, Quarterly)	11:00 A.M.
Men's Council (2nd Sundays)	12:30 P.M.
Women's Association (2nd & 4th Sundays)	12:30 P.M.
Youth Fellowship (1st & 3rd Sundays)	3:30 P.M.
Girl Scouts (1st & 3rd Tuesdays/September-June)	4:00 P.M.
Prayer Service/Bible Study (Wednesdays)	7:00 P.M.
Senior Choir Practice (Wednesdays)	8:00 P.M.
Deacon Board (1st Thursdays, Monthly)	7:00 P.M.
Cub Scouts (Saturdays)	10:00 A.M.
Boy Scouts (Thursdays)	5:30 P.M.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Vernie L. Bolden
Clerk of Session	Juanita Somerville
Treasurer	Willie Henderson
Financial Secretary	Leo Kelly, Jr.
Superintendent of Sunday School	Clarence V. Knight
Director/Organist Senior Choir	Daria Holcomb
Coordinator of Scouting	Joseph Brown
Chairpersons Usher Board	Nathaniel Brodie
	Willie Brodie
Coordinator of Altar	Alice Smithwick
Youth Director/Organist	Glennette Murphy

SESSION

Moderator - Vernie L. Bolden; Clerk of Session - Juanita Somerville.

ELDERS

Hattie Anders, Henrietta Clark, Catherine Collett, Eugene Dixon, Tina Feilds, J.P. Green, Dorothy Hunt, Sarah M. Jones, Clarence V. Knight, Harry Meadows, Edward Taylor, Sr.

DEACON BOARD

Nancy Henderson, Chairperson, Rosa Brown, Elizabeth B. Bullock, Thadeus T. Clayton, Owen Johnson, Anirl L. Morton, Gertrude Scott, Alice Smithwick, Elizabeth Sneed.



Davie Street Presbyterian Church Raleigh, North Carolina



The organizational structure of a Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A. in Raleigh was perfected and presented to the Board of Church Extension early in 1868, but was not implemented until the end of 1872. The Presbyterian church had been splintered before the Civil War, and a separate church, the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. had been organized and constituted the organized members of the Presbyterians in the south. There was some apprehension in the minds of the leaders of the General church concerning the attempt to set up an all black church in this area, less the hostilities of the pre-war era be revived. Accordingly, Elder Godfrey Rainey, of the Freedman Board, Washington, D.C. and his wife were directed to come to Raleigh and explore the possibilities of implementing the projection. Mr. Rainey's survey revealed the climate not conducive to the establishment of the proposed church at this time. He did however, recommend that a church school be established and was authorized to proceed with the same.

Despite the apparent misapprehension, Elder Rainey visited with the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church and was received with cordiality and introduced to other Presbyterian educators and church leaders, one of whom was the late Dr. William McPheters, former pastor of the First Church and a recognized Church Statesman. Dr. McPheters pledged Mr. Rainey cooperation and directed him to use his office and resources in his organizational projection of his school.

Elder Rainey then turned his efforts in the direction of the black community, where he conferred with George Lane, civic leader and large land owner with a family of many children. Mr. Lane secured a location, the south east corner of Haywood and Davie Streets, where the school began.

Elder Rainey, his wife and a free born Negro, H. Spencer, were the beginning teachers. There were in the first enrollment a number of large boys, who posed a disciplinary problem and Mr. Spencer was made a disciplinarian. The primary concern of the school was the prescribed course as set forth by the North Carolina Department of Education. However, teaching the Bible, industrial education, and music were infused.

Little Mary Lane, daughter of George Lane was chosen the first class historian and is in a large measure responsible for the data that has been assembled for this historical sketch.

Mr. Rainey formed a relationship with the leaders who, like himself, were organizing Peace Institute and invited one of the proposed leaders to make regular addresses to his school and to conduct a religious service every fourth Sunday. With an affinity of Christian acceptance and brotherhood established in the city. Mr. Rainey chose to relinquish his post to the Reverend Mr. James Crestfield, who came with the avowed purpose of implementing the plan for the establishment of a church.

Mary Lane's chronicle states that Dr. Crestfield invited Peace Institute organizers to his first public church service and that he emphasized that "In Christ there is no east or west . . . But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide world."

The Church was subsequently organized and a new location, the corner of Davie and Person Streets, secured from the Raleigh Methodist church. *Regular worship began in the latter part of 1872.* The first Session, besides the teaching elder Reverend Crestfield were: Norfleet Dunston, John Cornyard and Elder Freeman. The financial needs in view of the purchase of the new edifice were burdensome to the small congregation. Sacrifices were made and the church each year met not only the local financial needs but supported the boards and especially the benevolent department of the General church. Dr. Crestfield, who was white, explained to the congregation that his tenure was a missionary tenure and that the true intent of a missionary was to prepare those to whom he administered to assume the role and pass on to new areas.

The mantle of leadership was passed on to the Reverend A. A. Scott, a graduate of Lincoln University, who served for 15 years. The rapport of friendly relationship with all churches of the city was continued and the church enjoyed an era of spiritual happiness and numerical growth.

The Reverend Mr. Davis, followed Reverend Scott. His tenure was not for long because of ill health and he resigned and was succeeded by the late Dr. H. C. Mabry in 1889.

A New Era of Praise With the Instrument.

The Reverend Dr. Mabry, like his predecessors, was a Lincoln graduate and had held a position for several years as Professor at Biddle University, now Johnson C. Smith University. He was regarded as one of the most versatile and adept ministers in Catawba Synod and had come to Raleigh because of the potentials of Davie Street Church.

The first projection which the church undertook upon Dr. Mabry's tenure was the purchase of a Pipe Organ, the first Pipe Organ in any black church in Raleigh. Musical programs were rendered, classes in organ music were instituted and the church became the music mecca of Raleigh and eastern North Carolina. The seeds planted during his pastorate are quite evident today and have been evident throughout the years. Those inspired and nurtured during that era have not only rendered services to the church, community and state; but their descendents are yet rendering service to the church. Mrs. Mary Ellington's daughter, Rosa Adams is still a choir member, despite age and years of service, and Howell Jones stands each Sunday morning at the choir post his father chose under the leadership of Henry Clay Mabry.

Lucille Hunter took her rise as a Dramatist under his leadership and became Raleigh's Poet Laureate. The Raleigh School Board, in recognition of her service and in appreciation of the same, named the public school on East Davie Street in her honor. Also under Dr. Mabry's pastorate, members Lizzie Yeargin and Susan McDonald were the Wednesday night leaders of the Prayer service. Their son and grandson, respectively, were inspired: Max Yeargin became the first Black International Y.M.C.A. secretary where he served with unmatched distinction in Africa and lent

the weight of Davie Street Christian Valor to the Africans and Charles Mack Williams, grandson of Mrs. McDonald became the church organist and served for more than thirty years without any remuneration save the satisfaction that his church had made him what he was. Lightner, of South Carolina, came to Shaw University, joined the church and by introduction of Robert J. Jones joined the choir to sing, what he called "Botheration", for more than 50 years. The tenure of Dr. Mabry marked a period of unmatched dignified religious services infused with drama, music and the arts. Dr. Mabry retired in 1909 and was succeeded by the Reverend Dr. L.E. Fairley, former acting President of what is now Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, N.C. and pastor of Kinston's White Rock Presbyterian Church. The Generated seed of Dr. Mabry's preachment was also revealed in the life of Mrs. Celia Jeffries Wortham, whose father was Superintendent of the Sunday School, for many years. Mrs. Wortham went from the Davie Street Church, to the New England Conservatory of Music, where she distinguished herself in the proficiency of piano and organ music and became the organist of Raleigh's St. Paul A.M.E. Church for more than 50 years. The Davie Street Church awarded her a Certificate of Accomplishment in its Men's Day Celebration 1969 with the Reverend J. W. Smith of Charlotte, former pastor, making the presentation. Dr. Mabry retired in 1909 and was succeeded by the Reverend Dr. L. E. Fairley.

Dr. Fairley ushered in a maze of social philosophy which, he said involved the church in economics, political participation and government operation. His preachment advised and suggested that better homes be sought and provided for the poor with subsidies for those without adequate funds. He employed the members to pool their resources and to build for themselves businesses, command the operation of trade unions, secure themselves in the area of economics. He also directed the rebuilding of the church edifice and the corner stone on the church is evidence of his business acumen. He lent the weight of his influence to all of his parishioners and many built good homes and educated their children at Lincoln Scotia and Johnson C. Smith Universities. His parish engulfed the whole of Raleigh, and when the proposed Latta University, under the sponsorship of the late Dr. M. L. Latta, became financially strained, he chose a position on the proposed faculty, wrote a proposal for the building of the school, which owned more than one hundred acres of Wake County's most valuable land, in what is now West Raleigh and Oberlin areas. He then accompanied Dr. Latta to England and the West Indies and secured sufficient funds to ease the strain and retain the land in the hands of black people. He also participated in the formation of Raleigh's first black slate of municipal officers, with Calvin E. Lightner, elder in his church, a candidate for commissioner of public safety, in 1919. Other members of the slate were Dr. M.T. Pope, Mayor, and L. M. Cheek, editor of the Raleigh Independent. commissioner of Public Works. The slate failed in the election and a bitterness followed imposing a financial freeze upon the candidates and the sponsors. Dr. Fairley was caught in this freeze, from which he was unable to divorce himself. The church was made a party to the freeze. It became apparent that because of the embarrassing financial position the church had been placed by its advent into politics, his resignation would benefit the church. Dr. Fairley subsequently resigned and took a less strenuous charge at Goldsboro, where he deceased.

From 1922 to 1927 the Reverend Vernon R. James and W. W. Mayle served the church. The business and Spiritual sides of the church, for the first time in the history of the church, were primarily in the hands of the Ruling Elders. The Trustees Board, with Attorneys George Lane, and W. H. Ancrum, Leondias Frazier, C. E. Lightner, W. H. Easterling mostly officiating, relieved the financial strain which had been imposed because of the church's participation in politics. The Elders again rebuilt the rapport with the white churches and E. B. Crow, Hal V. Worth, Karl G. Hudson, James R. Young, Commissioner of Insurance for the State of North Carolina, R. J. Wyatt, J. C. Little and Cary Durfey, joined hands in raising funds to remove the strain.

Reverend James was called to a charge in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, where he served until his retirement. Reverend W. W. Mayle's duration was short. He soon was released and moved back to his West Virginia home.

The Reverend J. W. Smith came to the church in 1927 and was hailed as the first Biddle or Johnson C. Smith graduate, to pastor the church. He introduced a new approach, an approach of building up a junior church and involving the young people in every phase of the church's program. He organized and sponsored in the church, the first Negro Boy Scout Troup in Raleigh. He also communicated with the First Presbyterian Church Trustees of the Milner Fund Foundation and secured a continuing contribution, of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per month and the same amount as a personal contribution from Karl G. Hudson, owner of the Hudson-Belk Store. The funds were to provide a church worker to work with the elderly and the youth. Mrs. Mary Hill now deceased was employed and served admirably well. He cooperated with the American Legion in securing Legislation to provide a Homeowner Loan Fund. He affiliated himself with the Charles T. Norwood Post of the American Legion and became Vice State Commander of North Carolina. He also became affiliated with the Citizens Committee, which for a long time was the leading political organization for blacks in Raleigh.

The various clubs and auxiliaries functioned harmoniously and the spirit of the church was one of peaceful relationship. During his administration, the Council of Presbyterian Men became a viable organization, under the presidency of W. H. Perry. It was reorganized and Professor L. S. Cozart was the reorganization speaker, who challenged the men with these words, which have become a trade mark of the council. "Two men looked from prison bars, one saw mud, the other stars. Where do you Look?, What do you see?" The Council accepted the challenge and has looked up to the stars, to behold the beauty instead of the mud.

The Birthday Clubs were formed, the J. O. Y. Club, the Missionary Society and other important organizations formed. These clubs, together with the regular organizations have played a great role in church work ever since.

Upon the invitation of Elder C. E. Lightner, D. H. Keck became the director of the choir and for more than twenty years directed the choir. He was followed by Harry Payne, grandson of one of the former Elders and Clerk of the Session, Edward Bailey. Upon the demise of Charles Mack Williams, Mrs. Mary Carter assumed the post of organist and has performed with religious devotion of which any church might well be proud.

Reverend J. W. Smith was called to the 7th Street Church in Charlotte, in 1941. Since his departure the following ministers have served in varying degrees of length: Reverend A. S. Powe, C. Andre Kearns, William Gillespie, Robert L. Shirley, Oscar McCloud, Frank Hutchison, John A. Bagby, and the incumbent, Reverend James W. Brown.

Their services have been both spiritual and contemporary. The church has kept abreast of the situation arising in the realm of religion and current temporal responsibilities. One of the significant events in the Shirley administration was the arrangement for a program of profound sermons that could well lift the listeners from a pitch of gloom to a plateau of hope.

During the Hutchison's services, the church participated with four other churches in perfecting plans and building the Rich Housing Project which provides low rent housing for more than 200 families.

Since the current pastor, Reverend Mr. James W. Brown, came to the church, the congregation has become more composed and apparently better prepared for the reception of the Word of God and with a more devout application of the same.

The Church School since the days of Norfleet Jeffries has been an inspirational and educational institution, playing a great role in preparing the youth for services in the church and society. One of the glorious era of this institution was during the tenure of the late T. T. Street as teacher of the Men's Bible class.

The women of Davie Street Presbyterian Church from its beginning have been a viable entity in the structure of the church. They have contributed with their means, their knowledge and cooperation in every effort of the Church. They sponsored The New Testament Drama, "The Ninety and Nine," written by Miss Deborah Bacon, Professor of Drama at the University of Michigan and at that time a visiting professor at St. Augustine's College, with Mrs. Parthenia Day, director. Elder Fred J. Carnegie starred as Pilate. This was one of the most outstanding religious presentations of the era.

In 1936 Mrs. Ethel Lightner Young, daughter of the late Elder Frank and Dabney Lightner of South Carolina, with her family of church orientated children came to Davie Street church and gave sacred and devoted leadership to the Missionary society. With the fine cooperation of Mesdames Emma Burroughs, Clara Ridgell, Annie Robinson, Mary Carnegie, Mary M. Williams, Irene Price and other devoted women, the Raleigh Missionary society became the exact replica of the women of the early church.

In the recent years the Presbyterian Church program has changed. Yet the women's stance in the church remains firmer than ever under the name of the United Presbyterian Women.

Much of the program of Davie Street Presbyterian Church, USA is due to the involvement of women in the total church program, locally, on Presbyterial and Presbytery levels, Synodical and Synod levels and sharing in National Meetings.

In 1975 Elder Lethis Daniels was commissioned by Cape Fear Presbytery to the General Assembly and during the year of 1984, she was moderator of Cape Fear Presbytery. Elders Floreiss A. Turner, Ruth L. Woodson and Eunice Y. Joyner are now serving on Cape Fear Presbytery committees.

The women attend Presbyterian, Synodical and National women's meetings.

The Men's Council of Davie Street Church has become quite active, following the outlined program of Cape Fear Presbytery. Through planned activities, they share in the local church programs, community projects and Presbytery and Synod activities.

The composition of this group is unique: two attorneys, carpenters, educators, public servants, young doctors, government workers an undertaker, realtors and numerous others.

Among them is Clarence Lightner, the only black to become mayor of Raleigh and Attorney Daniels Blue, who is serving his fifth term as a member of the North Carolina State House of Representatives.

This diverse and unusual group is presently led by Lawrence T. Williams, president of the Men's Council.

Our Youth Fellowship Group, though small in numbers, is making some very positive contributions to Davie Street Church. The job market and school are strong forces that keep the youth from participating in many activities.

Mmes. Eunice Joyner, Carolyn Peebles, Eunice Jones, Annie King, Ellen Williams, Evelyn Penix and Edna Blue, have worked with the youth. The Summer Enrichment Program is directed by Mrs. Annie King.

Today, in the year of 1986, the church officers are planning ways to revitalize the church by bringing in new members, and reclaiming those that have stopped coming to church. We also revere the memory of many of those, who have passed on. We also rejoice in obvious satisfaction that we are trying to instill in the youth of today the traditions of our parents, and implementing the concept presented by Rev. Dr. Crestfield: "In Christ now meet with East and West, In Him meet South and West, All Christian Souls are one in Him, Throughout the whole wide world."

The Original Historical Committee

Dorothy Lane, Chairperson
Ms. Rosa Adams
Ms. Marie Jones Hill
Fred J. Carnage
Charles G. Irving

Present Committee

Lawrence T. Williams, Chairman
Edward Rogers
Everett Ward

Historical Facts About Dothan Presbyterian Church Maxton, North Carolina



Dothan Presbyterian Church, located in Maxton, North Carolina, was organized in 1895. Land for the church was purchased for \$65.00 from S.W. Watts and T.B. Pace. A frame structure was built on the site located one-half mile south of Maxton on Highway 71. Rev. J.J. Wilson was the first minister. The church was named "Dothan" by elders Guy Leach, H.W. McLean, and Charles Murphy.

The church on Highway 71 burned in 1916 and for a while the members met in an old building that had been standing behind the church.

In 1921 Rev. R.C. Scriven came to Maxton to serve as pastor of Wilson Chapel and Dothan churches. On November 22, 1923, two lots were purchased from A. Bascom Croom for the sum of \$250.00. A frame building was constructed on Highway 74 which served as a church and a community school while the present church was being built. The new brick church was completed in 1927.

Mrs. Edith Nelson Scriven taught in the school with her husband and he conducted church services in the new building.

The first ministers were Rev. J.J. Wilson, Dr. Turner G. Williamson, Dr. Henry C. Mabry, Rev. Fairley, and Rev. Ward.

Some of the early elders were: Guy Leach, John H. Murphy, Lendais Smith, Jr., Jimmy Purcell, John McPhatter, Richard McEachin, Lane McEachin, Charles H. Malloy, Cora Johnson Scriven, and Arlethia McEachin.

Early deacons were: David and Herbert Malloy, and John D. Smith.

In 1965 Rev. R.C. Scriven retired and Dr. C.C. Thomas came as Stated Supply. While here, Dr. Thomas worked with Dothan members and shared some customs of his native India. Dr. Thomas retired in May, 1985. Rev. Charles Conely, a ministerial student, is serving Dothan and Wilson Chapel churches. At this time, the session of Bethany has recommended to Presbytery that he be taken under its care.

Members of Dothan Presbyterian Church engage in a variety of activities such as the United Presbyterian Women's Organization, the Youth Group, Youth Choir, Adult Choir, and the Presbyterian Men's Organization.

Some successful projects involving the community are: Aid to the tornado victims, Community Legal Defense Fund, Maxton Public Library, Black History Programs, Vacation Bible School, and the Annual Youth Piano Recital.

William Gaines, an elder, has served on the Maxton City Council, Maxton Housing Authority, and is president of the Maxton Branch of N.A.A.C.P.

Present church officers are: Elders - William Gaines (Clerk of Session), Paul McDonald, Shirley McEachin, James B. Dean, Annie Hailey, Murphy Malloy, and Henry Newton; present Deacons are: Jesse Shaw, Nathaniel Malloy, Thaddeus McEachin, John Hailey, F.R. Cooper, and Elizabeth Gilmore.



The History of Ebenezer Presbyterian Church New Bern, North Carolina



Following is an excerpt from - History of the Presbyterian Church in New Bern by Rev. L.C. Vass, Whitted and Shepherdson, Company, 1886:

"For many years, the First Presbyterian Church of New Bern, N.C. had colored members. Mrs. Stanley, an emancipated slave, was one of the original members. As far back as 1832, records of special services were held for them by Rev. Mr. Hurd in the church. After the war, we were still, during the present pastorate, receiving colored members, and at times separate services were conducted for them, though they attended the regular ministration of the sanctuary."

The Honorable George H. White was a charter member of Ebenezer Presbyterian Church. He was the first Clerk of Session, and North Carolina's last Negro Congressman.

About May 1878, the Rev. B.B. Palmer, who was then a colored Licentiate of Orange Presbytery, deemed it best to organize a colored Presbyterian Church in New Bern. Services were held in the Congregational School House until Ebenezer Presbyterian was built. The mission work was directed by the session of First Presbyterian Church of New Bern, North Carolina. On Sunday, November 24, 1878, a committee of Orange Presbytery consisting of Rev. L.O. Vass, ruling elders G. Allen and W. Hollister organized Ebenezer Presbyterian Church in the Congregational School House with eleven members. The following were elected as elders: Mr. John Randolph, Sr., Mr. Julius Willie and Lawyer George H. White, Clerk of the Session.

The Rev. B.B. Palmer retired from this work in February 1879. He was succeeded by the Rev. A.A. Scott of Yadkin Presbytery in May of 1880, who continued to serve Ebenezer until 1889. A beautiful frame church building was erected at the cost of about \$1,800.00 for the church and lot. On November 7, 1880, it was dedicated to the worship of Almighty God. At this time, Ebenezer became a part of Yadkin Presbytery. It was dismissed by Orange Presbytery, the Presbyterian Church, U.S. to Yadkin Presbytery, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. on April 13, 1881 during the ministry of Rev. A.A. Scott, who reorganized the church, and served it until 1887.

Later, Ebenezer became a member of Cape Fear Presbytery of the Synod of Catawba. In addition to the Rev. Scott, Rev. Miller and Rev. Sanders served the Ebenezer Church on Pasteur Street, which was destroyed by the Historical fire of 1922.

The present church is known as "the Friendly Church on the Corner of Bern and Cedar Sts.," which was erected in 1924 during the pastorate of Rev. O.E. Sanders. The Rev. O.E. Sanders received 39 members into the church in the years 1924-1925.

Fifteen ministers have served Ebenezer. They are in the order of the years served—Rev. B.B. Palmer, 1878; Rev. A.A. Scott, 1879-1889; Rev. W.E. Carr, 1889-1890; Rev. C.E. Dusenberry, 1890-1892; Rev. C.S. Hedges, 1892-1895; Rev. W.A. Byrd, 1895-1904; Rev. A.G. Davis, 1905-1909; Rev. H.C. Miller, 1909-1921; Rev. O.E. Sanders, 1922-1926; Rev. M.S. Branch, 1927-1932; Rev. H.E. Williams, 1933-1934; Rev. W.S. Brinkley, 1934-1935; Rev. F.F. Bryan, 1935-1939; Rev. C.H.C. White, 1939-1975; and our present pastor Rev. Robert Johnson who came to us in May 1980.

In reflecting on the ministry of the late Rev. C.H.C. White, we feel that his life was spent portraying Christ Jesus in whom he firmly believed. It was his fervent hope that his life would help guide others toward a fruitful Christian experience which would reveal faith, hope and charity to all mankind. We cannot lose his gift of insight, we cannot forget his gift of need, in times of need. We are convinced that our church, our community, our world are much better for his Christian dedications and sacrifices.

Under the care and direction of Rev. Robert Johnson the following organizations and programs are actively engaged in the mission of the church: Men's Council, United Presbyterian Women, Senior Choir, Men's Chorus, Usher Board, Junior Church, Interdenominational Evangelism Team, Interdenominational Bible Study Group, Women's Study Group. Through these organizations we are able to live our mission as a church especially to the poor and the lost.

Some of our Church projects are: Annual Baby Contest, Economic Justice Sunday, Criminal Justice Sunday, Allen Dudley Sunday School Day, Men's Day, Women's Day, Religious Community Soup Kitchen and Homecoming.

Our mission as a church is to proclaim Christ and to reach out to others. Through our ministry, we strive to raise the consciousness of the community concerning social and economic issues such as poverty, peacemaking, racial, and economic and criminal justice. We also strive to develop closer ties with other churches and community organizations through Christian fellowship and support.



Faison Memorial Presbyterian Church Clinton, North Carolina



In the summer of 1926, a group of citizens of Clinton, North Carolina met for the purpose of organizing a Presbyterian Church.

Present at the meeting were the Charter Members of the newly formed church: Miss Mabel Faison, Mr. Walter J. Faison, Mr. Jacob Hill, Mrs. Juanita Hill, Mr. William Holmes, Dr. D.J. Sammons, and Mr. William Saunders.

Assisting them in the formation of this new church were the following ministers: Dr. W.H. Best, Warsaw, NC; Rev. T.T. Branch, Fayetteville, NC; Dr. Dillard, Goldsboro, NC; Dr. Fairley, Raleigh, NC; and a Mr. Kornegay, a Sunday School Missionary.

After organizing the church it was given the name "Faison Memorial Presbyterian Church".

This meeting was held in a wooden building in the four hundredth block of McKoy Street formerly used by another organization. For many years Faison Memorial held their worship services there.

The first officers were as follows: Elder - Walter J. Faison, Deacon - William Holmes.

We do not have an accurate record of the ministers serving us during those first years from 1926 to 1944. We have always had supply ministers.

Here are the names of some ministers that did serve us: Rev. Best, Warsaw, North Carolina; Rev. T.T. Branch, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Rev. F.F. Bryan, Goldsboro, North Carolina; Rev. Harper, Rocky Mount, North Carolina; and Rev. R.E. Stitt, Warsaw, North Carolina.

In the summer, the Presbytery supplied students from Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary, Charlotte, North Carolina and Lincoln University, Oxford, Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Benjamin H. Brown of Elizabethtown, North Carolina, came to us in the year of 1945. He served us diligently for twenty-six years.

The lot on which the church is built - on the corner of the 500 block of McKoy Street and Lee Street - a 75 x 150 feet lot, was purchased from Walter J. Faison and wife, Mattie Faison, for the cost of \$750.00 on February 24, 1927. At that time the church membership was six (6) adults. Trustees were: W.J. Faison, W.H. Holmes, and D.J. Sammons.

On June 18, 1950, a business meeting was called after morning worship for the purpose of planning to erect a church. (It was moved and second that Dr. D.J. Sammons become the building chairman and Mrs. D.J. Sammons the financial secretary.) The church voted to erect a 30 x 40 foot structure.

Work began on the present structure in August 1950. Mr. Julian A. Jones, a future member, laid the foundation. The building was completed by November 1951.

The church was debt free on completion. The members did not borrow money from the Presbyterian Board or any other organization. Thanks be to God.

The dedication services for the church were held on November 19, 1951. Dr. J.H. Hayswood, Lumberton, North Carolina, Stated Clerk of Cape Fear Presbytery and Presiding Minister, presided over the occasion.

Other guest ministers on program that day were The Rev. M.S. Branch, pastor of Second Presbyterian Church, Elizabethtown, North Carolina, Principal of Warsaw High School, Warsaw, North Carolina; Dr. A.H. Prince of Columbia, South Carolina, Evangelist of Atlantic Synod (he delivered the dedication sermon); and Dr. F.C. Shirley of Charlotte, North Carolina, representative of the Catawba Synod.

The church has had some good years of growth. Mr. Julian A. Jones was instrumental in getting many young people to join the church. This growth began to dwindle as these young people graduated from high school and either went to college, married, or relocated because of employment.

Rev. Brown came to us for the last time on May 16, 1971. He retired soon after this.

On December 12, 1971, Rev. O.E. Sanders of Wilson, North Carolina came to us and acted as Moderator. Rev. Sanders told the church that he was available for the 2nd and 4th Sundays. Our worship services prior to this had been on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. It was agreed that the church would ask the Presbytery to make Rev. Sanders our stated supply minister.

Rev. Sanders held his first meeting as moderator January 23, 1972. He served until October 12, 1975.

Rev. O.J. Hawkins of Wilson, North Carolina came to serve us as moderator in December 1975. We resumed having services on the 1st and 3rd Sunday. Rev. Hawkins served us until December 1978.

Rev. W.B. Davis of Whiteville, North Carolina came to us in January 1979. He served as moderator until December 31, 1985.

During the time that Rev. Davis served, the church purchased an adjoining 50 x 175 feet lot facing our lot on McKoy Street, from the City of Clinton for \$700.00 on May 26, 1980.

Our Donators

First Donor

When the church was first organized in 1926, Mr. Walter J. Faison gave the church \$500.00, which was a lot of money at that time. The money was used to purchase the present church property in 1927.

Second Donor

Several years after the church was organized the Cape Fear Presbytery donated the Pierce Street Presbyterian Church of Warsaw, North Carolina and the property to Faison Memorial.

At that time we could not have the church moved without tearing it down. That would have been unprofitable. So we sold it to another church in Warsaw for \$700.00.

We invested the \$700.00 in a government bond. That money was very helpful toward the building of the church.

Third Donor

Mrs. Mabel Faison Carter died in March of 1983. She willed \$600.00 to the church, which was received March 27, 1986. The money was used to help pay the current expenses of the church.

Our present minister, The Rev. Dr. C.C. Thomas of Fayetteville, North Carolina became moderator of Faison Memorial February, 16, 1986.

Officers Now Serving Are:

Elders	Mrs. Harriette B. Austin Dr. D.J. Sammons, Clerk of Session Mrs. Patricia F. Sammons Mrs. Annie S. Weeks
Deacon	Darius J. Sammons, Jr.
Jr. Deacon	Sidney T. Sammons
Trustees	Dr. D.J. Sammons Mr. Darius J. Sammons
Treasurer	Mrs. Daisy H. Caldwell

At the present time we have 13 members.

Dr. D.J. Sammons is serving many facets of our church. He is now serving as trustee and as an Elder. He celebrated his 89th birthday on June 15, 1986. He was honored with a "Surprise Birthday Dinner" at the church given by his family and friends.

He has served us well in every capacity. Always carrying the load and solving the problems with a smile. He has served as Clerk of Session since 1945. This is his 41st year as Clerk. He has always done a commendable job.

The church has always helped to support the sick, the poor, and needy by helping maintain what is called the "Soup Kitchen" of our city and other worthwhile causes.

We are proud and thankful to God to say that our church, "Faison Memorial Presbyterian Church U.S.A." is free of debt.



Fuller Memorial Presbyterian Church Chadbourn, North Carolina



Cape Fear Presbyterian Church was founded in 1881 by Dr. Henry Clay Mabry and was later renamed Fuller Memorial Presbyterian as a tribute to the late Reverend Lemuel H. Fuller.

Along with Dr. Mabry, Presbyterian missionaries founded the first and only school for Negroes in Chadbourn. This school, Gould's Academy, was located at the church site and it existed until 1932. Many of the school's graduates attended Biddle, Lincoln, and Shaw Universities.

Fuller Memorial Presbyterian Church burned on March 19, 1975. As a result, all church records were destroyed. Our congregation held services on the second and fourth Sundays until our present church was purchased in 1975. Prior to the purchasing of our present church, Fuller Memorial and Second Presbyterian Church of Whiteville merged and services were held at St. Mary's A.M.E. Church.

Our present church is located at the corner of North Howard Street and First Avenue. This small white frame Church features a gable front with decorative paneling. The front vestibule also has a gable front roof. Originally this building belonged to the Chadbourn Presbyterian Church, then to the Catholic Church.

During the years the men and women's organizations have done missionary work within the community, visiting and holding services for the Elderly at the County Home. Summer Vacation Bible School for Blacks in Chadbourn originated with Fuller Memorial and has been sponsored by the Church for many years.

Fuller Memorial has made a very impressive impact on the community in that the church members have had and are still holding offices and are participating members of: The Town Council, Chadbourn ABC Board, Democratic Party (local, county, and district), Oratorio Society, Governor's Commission, Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion, Red Cross Volunteers, Retired Senior Volunteer Programs, Local, State, and National Teachers' Organizations, Recreation Commission, Chadbourn Historical Committee, and the American Legion Post Number 233.

Our former pastors are:

Dr. Henry Clay Mabry, Rev. L.H. Fuller, Rev. R.C. Scriven, Rev. C.R. Cowans, Rev. J.B. Francis and Rev. W.B. Davis.

Some of the former officers of Fuller Memorial/Second Presbyterian are:

Paul Davis, Mary Fuller, Robert Lewis, Harvey Hayes, W.P. Muldrow, Grayer Powell, L. Summersett, Mable Spaulding, O'Neil Powell, Laura Swain, Dave Ward, Ida Jordan, W.L. Davis, Sr., L.G. Muldrow, W.E. Brown, A.L. Williams, Perry McNeil, Ruth Powell, Dorothy Powell and Mary F. Moore.

Presently serving as Pastor/Moderator is Dr. C.C. Thomas.

PRESENT OFFICERS

Elders

Edward Shipman - Clerk of Session, Mattie L. Powell, Louis D. Williams, Doris S. Dees and Elizabeth A. Powell.

Deacons

James R. Brown

Trustees

Ida Scipio, Elizabeth Powell - Treasurer, Doris S. Dees - Pianist, Dora Hayes and Kathryn H. Muldrow - Secretary.

Sunday School

Elizabeth Powell - Superintendent, Vicky Rorie - Teacher, Vicky Rorie - Youth Director, Kathryn Muldrow - Teacher, and Miriam Boone - Teacher.



History of Haymount Presbyterian Church Fayetteville, North Carolina



Haymount Presbyterian Church was formally organized in May, 1874 through the efforts of Dr. H.G. Hill, Pastor of Fayetteville's First Presbyterian Church from 1868-1886, and Reverend F.L. Montgomery, a Black minister who had come to Fayetteville "seeking religious work among his race."

The history of Haymount Church goes back as far as Presbyterianism in Fayetteville, for in the early days, Blacks worshipped in churches along with the Whites. As early as 1849, an all black Sunday School class was conducted in the First Presbyterian Church. This Sunday School class formed the nucleus from which Dr. Hill and Reverend Montgomery organized the little church which began in 1874, on the corner of Bradford Avenue and Branson Street on property owned by the Federal Government.

Several names stand out in the early history of the Church. John S. Leary was the first Black to teach the Sunday School class in the First Presbyterian Church. Reverend Adam Gilchrist, Pastor of the First Church was the organizer of the Sunday School Class. Messers. Richard McNeill, Abram Pone and Lewis Gill were the first Elders of the Church.

Reverend Montgomery was succeeded by Reverend Eli Walker, who did an excellent piece of work. He served here for about six years, he was succeeded by Dr. H.C. Mabry, who served but a short period, having been succeeded by the Reverend R.E. Fairley in 1890.

The next minister was Reverend S.P. Smith who came to us in 1900. He stayed only five (5) years and then decided to change fields.

In 1881, the property on which the first church building was erected was sold by the government. The congregation then purchased a lot at the foot of Haymount Hill on the corner of Hay and Robeson Streets as the site for a new church. A building program was begun under the pastorate of Reverend Robert E. Fairley. In 1905, under the pastorate of Reverend T.T. Branch, the present building was erected. Reverend Branch served as pastor of the church for twenty-three years.

The architect and builder of the Church was Dallas Perry, Sr., who was known to be one of the best craftsmen in these parts. He had his own style, and his nature was artistic as evidenced by the church which he built on both the Gothic and Colonial styles. The building had a double panelled doorway, which was recessed, surrounded by panelling and surmounted by a square transom.

The beauty of detail was interesting with Gothic windows, dentil trim and scalloped facing to its three colonial dormers on each side of the roof and in the steeples. The body of the building was squared off and erected on a brick foundation that provided a large basement.

After the pastorate of Reverend Branch, the Reverend H.S. Davis accepted the position for five years before accepting the principalship of Mary Potter School, Oxford, North Carolina. He was succeeded by Reverend J.P. Holmes.

In 1933, the Reverend F.B. Levister, an accomplished musician, became the pastor of the Church and served until 1936 when he was succeeded by the late Dr. E.J. Gregg. Dr. Gregg was revered by the Church members and the community as an outstanding scholar and Christian gentleman. He retired in 1956 after serving as pastor for almost twenty years and was succeeded by the Reverend C.H. Thomas. Reverend Thomas served as pastor for fourteen years. Under the leadership of Reverend Thomas, the Church increased its membership 50%, extensive renovations were made on the manse, and the interior of the church, and a deed was secured for the present property. Reverend Thomas resigned in August, 1970 to accept a position as Ministerial Consultant for Church Development and National Mission Strategy in the Synod of Ohio.

Reverend Harry J. Miller came to Haymount on January 30, 1972. Under his leadership, the church began a building program.

In January, 1974, the congregation acquired the Rosehill Road property with two church site mortgages from the General Assembly. The fifteen-year mortgage was paid off in 1978 and the Twenty-year mortgage was paid off in 1979.

On Saturday night, December 20, 1980, a fire from unknown causes, completely destroyed the church facility at 619 Hay Street. The only things that survived the fire were two tables, three chairs, the cornerstone, and the cross on top of the steeple. That Sunday morning, the congregation was able to put together a worship service and celebrated the Lord's Supper in the Chapel at the Stephen Rodgers Funeral Home on Cumberland Street. It worshipped there until October 10, 1982. For afternoon, evening, weekday services, and programs, it used the facilities of First Presbyterian Church on the corner of Bow and Ann Streets.

In January, 1981, the church began an intensive building program and by the grace of God, it broke ground on November 8, 1981. The Session, the Church Building Council, and the members were magnificent. Their support was unbelievable. What began as a two-part building construction program was completed in phase one of the construction because of their support and faith. The new church was completed in phase one of the construction because of their support and faith. The new church was completed on October 17, 1982. The building was dedicated with an ecumenical service on December 18, 1982.

The new church has the main sanctuary, eight classrooms, a library, bathrooms, an office complex for the pastor, secretary, and financial officers, modern kitchen facilities, a large multi-purpose room for dining and other activities called the fellowship hall, and adequate storage facilities. All furnishings, except the tables and chairs in the fellowship hall, were donated by organizations within the church, members, and friends of Haymount. The church steeple was also donated.

The congregation will never forget that cold December night, that in the midst of the fire, water, and icy conditions, with repeated attempts by fire officials to knock the cross down, it stood. Two firemen were injured trying to bring the cross down. That cross today is on the front of our new edifice as a "REMINDER" from whence it came.

Mars Hill Presbyterian Church, 1917 - 1986

Hope Mills, North Carolina



Mars Hill Presbyterian Church, Hope Mills, N.C. was organized in 1917 in the Cape Fear Presbytery under the leadership of Rev. J.H. Hayswood, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery. The Rev. P.P. Johnson was the first ordained and installed pastor. He also served Freedom East Presbyterian Church, Raeford, N.C. Under Rev. Johnson's leadership a congregation was formed and organized in a county school building. A session was then formed and the first elders elected were: Jasper Hodges, Sr., Jim Blue, Chester R. Chavis, Sr., Jessie McNeil, and Jack McEachin. Three of the original members are still living. They are Elder Lawrence W. McEachin and Elder Annie E. Hodges of Mars Hill and Mrs. Inez Pierce of Chestnut Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N.C. During this era Miss Annie E. Hodges organized an interdenominational Sunday School. The teachers were from the local community. Some of them were Mrs. Harriet Chavis and persons from Big Rockfish Presbyterian Church U.S.—Mrs. Elizabeth McDonald Cashwell, Mr. Kenneth McDonald and Mr. Fleet Fish. Rev. Johnson served the church for eighteen years.

In the Fall of 1935 Rev. Calvin M. Young was ordained and installed as the second minister. He brought to the church an abundance of new ideas. The congregation began to evangelize, improve church education, and expand stewardship. He served dutifully for five years.

In 1940 Rev. Warren Jones was ordained and installed as the minister. The congregation grew to its largest number - one hundred and ten (110). Under his leadership a new edifice was completed in April 1942 on land given by Elder Samuel Jasper Hodges, Sr. Rev. Jones was known for his interest and work with Daily Vacation Bible School, camping, all areas of worship and church education. In 1947, Rev. Jones resigned and joined the United States Army and served as a chaplain.

From 1947 to 1950 two Theological Seminarians, Rev. Robert Meacham and Rev. Robert Webster, served the church on the first and third Sundays in each month. Rev. Henry E. Williams was the pastor from 1950 to 1955. Rev. Miles Jackson, Sr., rendered his services as Stated Supply from 1956-1958.

In 1958 Rev. R.C. Scriven came as Stated Supply. Under his leadership and guidance, the church was relocated to its present site beside Highway 301 South of Hope Mills, N.C. Elder Jim Hodges gave the land and a loan was secured from the Board of National Missions to build the present structure. During this period three elders along with Rev. Scriven went to Raleigh to secure incorporation for the church. They were: Elders Lawrence W. McEachin, Willie Christopher Hodges, and Annie E. Hodges. The first service was held September 3, 1961.

In June 1963, Rev. O.J. Hawkins became the Stated Supply. During his tenure many organizations were revitalized: the Youth Group, United Presbyterian Women's Organization, and the Presbyterian Men's Organization. He was extremely interested in the youth in the church and community and encouraged them to participate in a variety of activities. Most importantly, he stressed and practiced good stewardship. Also a loan was secured and the Educational Building was completed. All loans have liquidated. He initiated the first homecoming held on the lawn of the church. Rev. Hawkins served the church for seventeen years.

In 1917 the church began with eleven members and in 1950 there were one hundred-ten communicant members. From 1951 until the present the membership has declined to fifty-two. This is due to mobility of families. Many have left the farm, such as college graduates seeking job security. Some are still members of Presbyterian churches in other cities and states.

On January 1, 1981, the Rev. James A. Christian became Stated Supply after serving 34 years as full pastor in the Presbyterian Church. Under his strong leadership, both the session and congregation, are encouraged to do things decently and in order with history, heritage, administration, leadership, education, stewardship and evangelism. Rev. Christian is the fourth minister to live on the field which has meant a lot to the congregation and the community. He is a caring person and is always ready to serve his flock.

The following persons have served as Clerks of Session:

Samuel Jasper Hodges	1917-1947
David Mack McEachin	1947-1950
Willie Christopher Hodges	1950-1959
Jim Hodges	1959-1974
Marian Y. Hodges	1975 to present



The History of Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church Rocky Mount, North Carolina



Mt. Pisgah's history began when a group of nine citizens or more, met in the home of Mrs. R.J. Person of Rocky Mount, N.C. in the fall of 1891. Attending that first meeting were Mrs. R.J. Person, Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Hawkins, Mr. Carter Burwell, Mr. and Mrs. W.N. Vainwright, and Mrs. Charlotte Bunn. The chief promoter at this time, was the Rev. George Carson who was also present at the meeting.

The first worship services were conducted in the Academy of Music which later became Rocky Mount's Municipal Building. The first congregations were very small, however the Sunday School was filled with large crowds of adults and children. The parochial school was opened in the fall of 1891, in the old Battle store which stood where the Thomas and Howard Wholesale Company now stands.

In the late fall of 1891, Mr. J.H. Logan of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania donated the land on which the church now stands. Mr. I.D. Hargett, the teacher of the parochial school was instrumental in getting a school house built on this property, which served as the place of worship. Shortly thereafter, a severe storm damaged the school building beyond repair. Under the leadership of the Rev. C.E. Tucker, pastor, the church was rebuilt through the efforts of L.V. Battle, J.W. Parker Sr. and Attorney L.V. Bassett.

The property was officially transferred to the Board of Trustees with a mortgage of \$150.00 and from this began the first Mt. Pisgah Church. The building was later demolished and a new sanctuary and education building was erected in 1962 under the leadership of the Rev. James H. Costen. On Sunday, March 18, 1962, the congregation entered its new church home for the first time.

Since its beginning, the church has had 22 pastors, sixteen were supply pastors assigned here by the Cape Fear Presbytery. The first pastor to be "called" by the local church was the Rev. James Barnett in 1943. During the pastorate of Rev. James Barnett the church built its present day manse, on property adjacent to the church. In the fall of 1955, the Rev. James H. Costen became the second "called" pastor of the Church. During an interval between the pastorates of Barnett and Costen, the Rev. O.A. Sanders of Wilson, N.C. served as interim pastor.

On October 3, 1965, the Rev. Albert Hockaday was officially installed as the Church's third full time pastor. On June 1, 1969, the Rev. Lloyd B. Morris became the fourth pastor of the Mt. Pisgah church. It was under Rev. Morris' leadership that Mt. Pisgah developed and operated a Day-Care Center, which still operates to this day. Rev. Morris is also remembered as one of the former Stated Clerks of the Cape Fear Presbytery.

On Sunday October 12, 1980 the Rev. Edward Richardson was installed as the fifth pastor of the Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian church. During this period between Morris and Richardson, the Rev. St. Paul Epps, a former administrator with the Nat'l Self Development Of People Fund of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) was interim pastor.

At present the congregation is ministering under the leadership of the Rev. Eddie Deas III, its sixth "called" pastor. Rev. Deas came to the Church in August of 1984 and was duly installed as Pastor on November 11, 1984. Under his leadership the Mt. Pisgah Day Care Center was duly incorporated and renamed the Mt. Pisgah Child Care Center, Inc.

The Supply ministers who served the local church from 1891 through 1942 were: George Carson, C. Dillard, L.W. Melton, J.J. Wilson, E.A. Mitchell, C.E. Tucker, J.B. Harper, S.P. Smith, A.G. Davis, A.E. Sephas, W.D. Burgess, H.E. Williams, F.F. Bryan, and O.E. Sanders.

It might be of interest to make a few other comments about Mt. Pisgah that are significant. During the administration of Rev. Morris the church became self sustaining, 1975, and satisfied all regular loans on the church building. The Child Care Center was officially opened in September of 1969. Mt. Pisgah also has one of its own members laboring in the Presbytery as pastor and chair of General Council, the Rev. Antonia Lawrence, who also happens to be a practicing Attorney in Rocky Mount, N.C. Mt. Pisgah has also had in addition to Antonia Lawrence, Rev. Gordon Marshall and Vernon Ross who entered Seminary in the early 1970's.

For years, the late Mrs. Juanita Barnett served on General Council of Cape Fear and several national committees.

Our present moderator, Ruth Brewer, has served on Presbytery, Synod and National Committees, was a Lay Reader for Corporative Examination for Ministers in Atlanta trained in different seminaries.

Mrs. Lucy Lawrence has played for the church choir since 1924.



History Of Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church

South Main Street

Franklinton, North Carolina



In 1860, Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church had its birth as a mission. The Reverends McCurty and Pratt were the ministers who began and kept the mission alive until Dr. Mabry took the work.

After Dr. Moses A. Hopkins, from Westmoreland County, Virginia, was graduated from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, 1877, he came to Franklinton and found the mission housed in a log structure. The Freedmen's Board sent him here to build the work. So earnestly and so untiringly did he labor that it was not long before he and his members had erected a frame church building with a four-room manse attached, and Albion Academy, consisting of one large administration building, a shop, and a dormitory for girls - all frame.

He and his members purchased about two acres of land on 124 College Street (front) on which he built Albion Academy and two acres on Main and College for the church. The land on which the church now stands plus 100 feet of ground in back of the church yard and across on the south side of College Street, what is now the Mitchell house, the Pan-Am filling station, and the house site that joins the Eaton Bowser estate—all were a part of the Mt. Pleasant Church land.

The carpenters in the church labored hard and gave of their meager means to help in the erection of the school and the church. William Dunston, (A.O. Dunston's father), Jesse Rattley, and Hilliard Dunston were some of the carpenters who helped. The church was burned and services were held in the Albion Academy chapel until a brick veneered structure was erected.

Our church was destroyed by fire a second time in 1970, but God enabled us to rebuild His structure where we continue our worship of Him.

The ministers who have served Mt. Pleasant in order of their service are: The Reverends McCurity, Pratt, Dr. Mabry, Dr. Moses A. Hopkins (later sent to Africa as U.S. Minister to Liberia-passed while there), The Reverends Alexander, S.S. Sevier, Dr. John A. Savage (the builder of Albion Academy and the erector of a brick veneered church building), Dr. Walter G. Anderson, The Reverend O.E. Sanders, The Reverend Stitt, (graduate of Lincoln University), Reverend Enoch Kearney, Dr. John R. Dungee, and interim ministers, with the Reverend J.W. Brown of Davie Street Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, as Moderator.

Some of the elders who have served and are now serving are:

Hilliard Dunston, Jesse Rattley, Peter Kelley, Thomas Mitchell, Robin Hawkins, Henry Wilder Fuller, Alonzo Phillips, Noah Johnson, Richard Campbell, James Robert Hawkins, Henry Wilder, A.O. Dunston, clerk, Rolline Dunston Collins, Elsie Baptiste Harris, Virginia Tabron Parker, Cammie Kearney, James Oliver Harris, clerk.

Some of the deacons who have served and are now serving are:

Duke Dunston, Ben Dunston, William Dunston, Hillary Dunston, Henry Stallings, J.O. Harris, Max Dunston.

Some of the organists:

Mrs. Carrie Hopkins, Maggie Allen, Annie Seviere, Minnie Donnell, Annie Campbell, Carrie Savage Hawkins, Agnes Omesa Dunston Dunn, Carrie Savage Hawkins, Elsie Baptiste Harris, Dorine Harris Massenburg, Rolline Dunston Collins, Queen Elizabeth Dunston Hawkins.

Some choir members:

Mrs. Carrie Hopkins, Narcissa Rattley, Maggie Allen, Annie Ray, Florence Debnam, Minnie Donnell, Miss Della Dunston, Susie Dunston, Roberta Dunston, Minnie Mitchell, Blanche Dunston, Mrs. Daisy Long, Hattie Cook, Annie Bailey, Carrie Lewis, Sallie Kearney, Cameline Bone, Eleanor Green, Elizabeth Rattley Shaw, Elsie Baptiste Harris, Elizabeth Alston, Grace Edwards, Agnes Dunston, Rolline Dunston Collins, Agnes Omesa Dunston Dunn, Virginia Hawkins Levister, Sarah Cheek, Julia Blair, Miss Catherine King, Dorine Harris Massenburg.

The most recent addition to the church edifice is the memorial chimes on the organ donated by Rolline Dunston Collins and Agnes Omesa Dunston Dunn honoring their parents, Elder and Mrs. Alpha Omega Dunston.

A.O. Dunston, Clerk of Session

Revised by his daughter,
Agnes Omesa Dunston Dunn, 1985



Panthersford Presbyterian Church Redsprings, North Carolina



Much praise and credit is given to the Session of Philadelphus Presbyterian Church for not forsaking their Black members when they became free in 1865. There was a tender affection in their hearts for those members who had worshipped with them for many years. Also, they had trained some of the members - Jerry McNeill and Guilford Bethune - as elders for the special purpose of giving spiritual guidance.

In 1866 this session set up a Black Church and Elders McNeill and Bethune, with the aid of the Philadelphus Church Session guided and encouraged the infant church. For a period, there was no regular pastor, and Sunday School was held in private homes.

Within a year or so a lot was purchased near the Ford of Panther's Branch. A brush harbor was built and served as the church until a log structure was built. It was then decided that the church would be named Panthersford after the crossing.

The members had difficulty getting a deed to the land where the church stood. Mr. John (Uncle Jack) McNeill persuaded Mr. Archie Buie to sell to Panthersford the present site. The log building was moved to this site where it served for many years as a church and a school.

About 1881, a second and better building was constructed. In 1904, Rev. John H. Hayswood, who was pastor, led the congregation in building a comfortable house of worship, and in 1908 the third building was completed and dedicated by Dr. W.E. McLean of Concord, N.C. We now worship in our fourth church which was built in 1959.

Our church remains a spiritual and intellectual light for thousands of family members branching from The Blues, Browns, McNeills, McMillans, Pattersons, Buies, Williams, Haywoods, McArthurs, Ellises, Smiths, McBrydes, McLaurins, Bethunes, and McLeans, and for those who have joined us.

In 1965 a Fellowship Hall was added to this church. This structure includes a dining hall, pastor's study, two all-purpose rooms, kitchen, and bathroom.

We are proud of our history, with its struggles and successes and we pay tribute today to our ministers who have given us spiritual guidance:

Rev. Dr. J.H. Hayswood	1903 - 1956
Rev. F.D. Wilson	1957 - 1959
Rev. Dr. G.B. Fiawoo	1962 - Present

A Tribute In Memory Of Our Ancestors

An old man going along a highway, came to a chasm deep and wide
The old man crossed in the twilight dim,
The sullen stream had no fear for him, but he turned when safe on the other
side and built a bridge to span the tide.
Old man said a fellow pilgrim near, you are wasting your strength on this build here
Your journey will end with the ending day, you never again shall pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm deep and wide, Why build you this bridge at eventide?
The builder raised his gray old head, Good friend, in the path I have come he said,
There follows after me today a youth whose feet must pass this way,
This chasm which has been naught to me,
To that fair youth may a pitfall be.
He too must cross in the twilight dim, Good friend, I'm building this bridge for him.

Our ancestors must have had a vision of this poem when they organized and dedicated their lives in building a bridge for us, that we too could cross successfully. Let us dedicate our lives in building a bridge for others.



Second Presbyterian Church Elizabethtown, North Carolina



The Second Presbyterian Church was established in the year 1906. Charter members were: Clifton Shaw, John Pone, Helen Pone, Albert Dimery, Rebecca Shaw, Laura Gill, Margaret Rhody Dimery, and J.T. Gill. The trustees were: W.C. Shaw, John Pone, and J.T. Gill.

The church building, located on Dunham Street in Elizabethtown, was constructed in 1913. Before the structure was built, services were held in the home of John Pone's mother. After the church was built, grade school was held there for many years until Bladen County Training School was established. A Mrs. Farnsworth furnished the students with clothes, school supplies, etc.

The following ministers have served the church: Rev. Smith, Rev. T.H. Williamson, who served for nearly three decades, Rev. B.H. Brown, who served about two decades, Rev. R.N. Cowan, who served for four (4) years, Rev. M.H. Branch, who served for nineteen years. Rev. R.N. Cowan was recalled and served until 1975. Rev. W.E. Johnson has served from 1975 to the present time.

The present ruling elders are: Robert S. Richardson, Gladwin S. Shaw, Georgia K. McDowell, Frances Martin Leake, Charles B. Moore, and Jameal Hamoud. The present trustees are: Robert S. Richardson, Ollie Ruth Hamoud, Gladwin S. Shaw, Charles B. Moore, Effie Rogers Martin, Vander McDowell and Benjamin Peterson. The present deacons are: Benjamin Peterson, Vander McDowell, Mattie Shaw Richardson, Betty McDowell McLaughlin, and Effie Rogers Martin.

There are presently thirty-three members enrolled at Second Presbyterian Church. We have Sunday School each Sunday from 10-11 o'clock A.M., and Worship on the second and fourth Sundays at 11 o'clock A.M. Bible Study is held on the second and fourth Wednesday nights at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

The Willing Workers Society sponsored a "Miss Sweetheart" pageant for several years, giving young ladies and gentlemen in the community an opportunity to appear before an audience and exhibit talents. Other organizations are the Women's Association and the Senior Choir.

Our church believes in helping others here and overseas, in whatever way we can through our mission work.

In the past, our church has made a significant impact on our community through Vacation Bible School, Girl Scouts and the Summer Enrichment Program.

In our congregation we have two doctors and an Area Manager of Carolina Power and Light Company, who are not members, but attend church regularly, a college administrator, active and retired school personnel and others serving in various capacities and civic and community affairs.



**St. James Presbyterian Church
308 W. Harper St.
Snow Hill, North Carolina 28580**



Saint James began in 1895 when a Presbyterian Missionary from Pennsylvania met with a group of interested Blacks in the Greene County Court House to share their concerns. After several meetings a congregation was established and the first regular service was conducted by a Rev. J.H. Hayswood from Lumberton, N.C. in October of the same year. The first church structure was erected in early 1900. This edifice was replaced by the present facility after our congregation merged with Sloan Chapel, Hookerton, N.C. in 1957. The new church was erected on the site of the original church. Economic changes and loss of members led to the establishing of a Yolk-ministry with White Rock, Kinston, N.C. in 1976. At this point we are still operating in this manner.

Current church officers are: Moderator, Rev. St. Paul Epps; Clerk of Session, Jonelle Davis; Treasurer, Earl J. Brinson; Financial Secretary, Vivian S. Jones. Active Elders are: Sharon Brinson, Jonelle Davis, Sara Giles, Edna E. Harper, G.P. Edwards, Vivian Jones, A.L. Jones, Renita Best and J.W. Edwards. Our church organizations include: the choir, Women's Organization, Men's Organization, Youth Organization, Deacon Board and Trustees. Each Sunday we have Sunday School at 9:00 A.M., followed by the Morning Worship Service at 10:00 A.M. With a membership of thirty-five we strive to keep St. James abreast of what is going on in all church related activities.

Each year we sponsor three special projects: (1) October Celebration - This is always held the first Sunday in October in recognition of our longevity as a congregation. This year we will have "Celebration 91". This is also referred to as Homecoming Sunday. (2) Christmas Covered Dish Dinner - Citizens from the community and members of other churches are invited to join our church family at this festive meal. The fellowship and Christmas Spirit is enhanced by seasonal music and exchanging of gifts. (3) Summer Enrichment Program - This is a four week project, five days a week, from 9:00 to 12:00 A.M. for all children in the community. We stress Christian principles, Black Culture, academics, and recreation. Our final activity is a day at Cliffs of the Neuse.

Our mission is to support and uphold those ideals and causes fostered by the Presbyterian Church, USA. Collectively, we spiritually and financially support those causes which perpetuate the name of Jesus Christ at each judicatory level. This is the realm of our mission belief.

St. James members are involved in a variety of community activities, as indicated by the number in the NAACP, Greene County Improvement Association, Retired School Personnel, Art Council, Home Health Care Advisory Board, Greene County Medical Center Board of Directors, Election Board, and School Volunteer Services.



St. Matthews Presbyterian Church Dudley, North Carolina



St. Matthews Presbyterian Church was organized October 5, 1890 under the auspices of The Reverend Clarence Dillard. The Rev. Dillard was then moderator of Shiloh Presbyterian Church in Goldsboro, North Carolina and saw the need and future success of a Presbyterian Church in Dudley.

The Rev. Dillard worked diligently to get the Church organized and was its first moderator, serving the Church from 1890 until 1913. There were nine known original members, most of whom have descendants as members today. The original members were Mr. Washington Simmons, a teacher in Dudley; Mrs. Amanda Hagans, Mr. Wesley Budd and wife Julia, Mr. William Newkirk and wife Hattie Ann, Mr. Isaac Griswold and wife Cherry, and Mrs. Tempsey Boseman.

Though few in number, the members, inspired by Rev. Dillard, worked endlessly to make the Church successful and slowly the membership grew. When God took Mrs. Dillard to her Heavenly home, Elder and Mrs. Wesley Budd raised the Dillards' son as their own. When Rev. Dillard left the Church, Rev. T.G. Williamson served as Moderator for one year. The Rev. L.H. Fuller then served until The Rev. W.H. Best was appointed Moderator. The Rev. Best served until 1920.

In 1920 there was a disturbance in the First Congregational Church in Dudley. Some of the members left the Church discouraged and joined St. Matthews, further increasing its membership.

The original Church was destroyed by fire in 1920. The first book of the Session was destroyed in this fire. The only record is from memories of elderly Dudley residents passed down to their children. A building no longer in use was purchased from the Quakers and services continued with little interruption.

Subsequent Moderators were The Rev. M.S. Branch, 1920-1927 and The Rev. J.H. Sampson, 1927-1936. No records can be found from 1936 until 1940. At this time The Rev. B.R. Richardson was pastor, and served through October 1965. Several Moderators were appointed for short terms following The Rev. Richardson, and included The Rev. J.H. Stokes, The Rev. M.S. Branch, The Rev. Eugene James, The Rev. James Davis, and The Rev. O.J. Hawkins. The Rev. Henry E. Williams served as pastor from 1975-1979.

The old Church structure was in need of major renovations and the members decided that it was time to build a new church. They appealed to the Presbytery for assistance. They were granted approval to build, but were denied assistance. With great determination and faith in God, they decided to build without financial assistance. The men, under the supervision of Elder Edward Gray, an industrial arts instructor, designed and erected the present structure. They worked evenings and Saturdays. The women prepared food and gave support. The new building was dedicated in October, 1979.

The Reverend O.J. Hawkins was reappointed Moderator in 1979 with The Rev. James A. Christian serving the pulpit through 1980. The Rev. Hawkins assumed ministerial responsibilities after Rev. Christian and served until his health failed in 1981.

The Reverend B.F. Baskerville was appointed Moderator after the demise of The Rev. Hawkins and served in this capacity through January, 1986.

When the Church had a vacant pulpit, area ministers from other churches filled in. These ministers included: The Rev. Oliver Brinson, The Rev. Henry Williams, The Rev. Cleverland Ellis, Bishop Charles R. Lofton, and The Rev. Charles Locklear. The members are most grateful to these ministers who kept their spirits high.

The Rev. Antonio Lawrence was appointed Stated Supply to St. Matthews in January, 1986. The congregation gives thanks to God that it now has a leader and pastor. The Rev. Lawrence is helping to get the Church back in line with the Presbyterian guidelines, helping to strengthen its weaknesses and making improvements that will add to the spiritual atmosphere of worship services. In addition, he is a dynamic speaker and the membership is certain to grow, as the community is much impressed with his dedication to God and his mode of teaching, preaching, and expressing God's Word. By the Grace of God, the membership is certain of much spiritual growth and prosperity in the Church, as well as the community, under the leadership of this energetic Christian minister that God has sent to St. Matthew.

There are currently 28 members of St. Matthews. The members are in the process of building a combination education and dining room, for which they are not seeking financial assistance from the National Church.

Descendants of original members who are now active members of St. Matthew are:

- 1.) Elder John Griswold and Miss Bessie Griswold - grandchildren of Issac and Cherry Griswold.
- 2.) Elder Dora Thompson - great-granddaughter of Wesley and Julia Budd.
- 3.) Elder Percy Newkirk and Mrs. Louise Broadhurst - great-grandchildren of William and Hattie Ann Newkirk.
- 4.) Deacon Herman Hagans - grandson of Amanda Hagans.



St. Paul Presbyterian Church Louisburg, North Carolina



The seeds for Saint Paul Presbyterian Church were sown when missionaries were sent to the South by the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. in the year of 1865. During this year the Freedmen's Board sent Misses Miller and Henderson (white) to Louisburg, N.C. Though they were the victims of prejudice, even among their own race, they left a wonderful contribution toward paving the way to the heights that are now the pride of Franklin County. They were refused living accommodations at the local hotel, but they rented an old house in the outskirts of the town, and to this log house they walked each day to hold their classes and on Sunday it was used for Sunday School. After these missionaries, several others followed, namely, Miss Gross and Miss Russell, (white). Seeing there was no Negro church in the community, they influenced the Freedmen's Board to send a supply pastor to the field. On November 1, 1867, the Reverend Joseph Platt was sent as stated supply, using the same log house for service once a month.

In April 1875, Reverend Calvin McCurdy came with a view of establishing a church. As there was not a Negro church in this section, the Negro people held membership in the white Methodist Church. From this group a few organized the Saint Paul Presbyterian Church in the little two-room log house in the country. Reverend McCurdy and John Williamson were the founders. A piece of land was purchased in the city on South Main Street and, on what is now known as, the West River Road.

On May 1, 1877, Reverend Moses A. Hopkins was sent to the field. He was soon sent as United States Minister to Liberia, where he died shortly after his arrival. He was followed by Reverend R.H. Armstrong on April 1, 1880, who was the first minister to live on the field. His work resulted in a church building being started. He was followed by Reverend F.J. Jordan. On January 28, 1885, Doctor John A. Savage took the field and completed the church. Reverend Charles E. Tucker came to the field on May 22, 1887. The church burned down in 1901. The Saint Paul Presbyterian members worshipped at Saint Mathias Episcopal Church until the present church was built. Doctor John A. Savage returned to the field in 1899, and the present church, which stands as a monument to him, was completed July 4, 1917

In September 1921, Reverend Hampton Theodore McFadden came to Saint Paul Presbyterian Church, being the youngest minister ever sent to the church. Thus began his long and fruitful relationship with Saint Paul. He was installed as minister in 1931, and served until his retirement April 15, 1979, at which time the church appointed him as Pastor Emeritus. He worked diligently with his members to accomplish many improvements that were made during his career here as pastor. A partial resume' of these improvements is as follows: In 1923 a pulpit set was purchased; in 1929 a central heating plant was installed and electric lights were also installed to replace kerosene lamps. Also during this era windows were replaced with stained glass art windows, and a study built. The parochial school was also revived along with initiating many other organizations such as Junior Church, Young Peoples Meeting, Prayer Meeting, Missionary Society and Deacon Board. A new electric Hammond Organ was dedicated in 1955; in 1964, a new communion set was bought, and in 1975 the heating plant was changed from a furnace which burned oil to an electric heating and air-conditioning system.

As evidence of Reverend McFadden's usefulness in the Cape Fear Presbytery and Synod, he served as chairman of the Committee on Ecumenical Mission and Relations, member of the National Missions Committee, Chairman of the Executive Committee of Young People's Fellowship, Stated Clerk of Cape Fear Presbytery, Treasurer of Wartime Service Fund, Secretary-Treasurer of Presbyterian Summer Conference and Synodical Conference, a member of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, and for many years as Treasurer of the Synod of Catawba. On September 26, 1971 his 50 years of service were honored by St. Paul Presbyterian Church; and on September 5, 1976, the 109th Anniversary of the Church, the Hampton T. McFadden Educational Building consisting of a day care and an educational center, was dedicated. This day care center was the first in Franklin County to meet the full requirements of the State of North Carolina and the United States Government.

Following Reverend McFadden's retirement, Reverend Charles J. Farmer who had served the congregation from time to time when Reverend McFadden had to be away, became minister on June 1, 1980, and resigned on August 25, 1985. While Reverend Farmer was pastor, Saint Paul grew in membership, the Educational Building was completed and the mortgage on the building retired.

At the present time Saint Paul has a membership of 91. We feel that our mission must not only meet the spiritual needs of our immediate congregation, but to all of society. As baptized people who have been drawn into the life of Christ, we must proclaim good news to all people, drawing them into Christ's life. We realize that the great mission of the Church cannot be limited to speaking words of grace or meeting the human needs of people. We must continually strive, like Christ, to bring good news to the poor, release to the captive, recovering of sight to the blind and liberty to those who are oppressed.

Our history at Saint Paul gives its members much to be proud of. It has been represented in the General Assembly and has served on Presbytery and Synod committees. It has a member who is on the Louisburg City Council, and its members are represented in many civic and community organizations. We feel that the Church must be constantly involved in social issues and other community problems and strive to work toward christian solutions.

We wish to give acknowledgements to Mrs. Lucy Shaw Dent's article - "Memories of Long Ago," from which facts were taken and updated.



Shiloh Presbyterian Church Goldsboro, North Carolina



Since the organization of Shiloh Presbyterian Church in February 1883, fifteen persons have served as pastors. Besides the Reverend J.A. Savage and C. Dillard, the others were the Reverends P.W. Russell, J.J. Wilson, J.B. Harper, J.G. Walker, M.S. Branch, O.J. McLeod, L.E. Fairley, W.H. Freeland, F.F. Bryan, B.F. Levister, W.S. Brinkley, B.R. Richardson and J.E. Davis. Of this number the Reverend B.R. Richardson is the only one now living.

Because of what the Presbyterian Church had meant to both of them, practically all of their lives, the late Rev. and Mrs. W.H. Freeland decided that they would give their home to the Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of Goldsboro, North Carolina. Mrs. Freeland preceded her husband in death. The Reverend Freeland died April 30, 1943, after which their will was carried out and the manse at 314 West Pine Street served as the home of Reverend and Mrs. B.R. Richardson. This was a most beautiful and generous way for the Reverend and Mrs. Freeland to express their gratitude to the United Presbyterian Church.

Where the manse once stood was the site of the first Negro Public School in Wayne County and in that school building Shiloh Presbyterian Church of Goldsboro was organized February 25, 1883.

The annex at the rear of the church was added in 1952. It included a study, choir loft, rest room facilities and a heating system.

For the early work done in a Presbyterian Mission, which resulted in the organization of Shiloh Presbyterian Church; for the work done by faith and sacrifices of the chartered members; for those members and friends, who gave their services and have passed to receive their rewards; for each of the fourteen pastors who served, each one, as Shepherd of his flock; we give honor and, praise and, above all, we give thanks to our Heavenly Father.

Currently the Reverend Antonia Lawrence is the minister.

Church Officers:

Clerk Mrs. Christine Battle

Elders: Mr. Alton Parker

Mr. Edward Bostic

Mr. Oliver King

Ms. Sallye Stitt

Mrs. Mary Hall

Mrs. Mary Morrison

Mrs. Edith Best

Mrs. Christine Battle

Deacons Mrs. Helen Davis

Mrs. Agnes Graham

Mrs. Etheline King

Mrs. Janet Pitt

Ms. Betty Royall

Ms. Rosa Atmore

Total number of members—36.

Services are held every Sunday. First, Third, and Fifth Sundays at 11:00 A.M. Second and Fourth Sundays at 10:45 A.M.

Our most successful projects are Homecoming, Choir Anniversary, Candlelight Service, Ushers Anniversary, A Musical Tea, Youth Day, Mother's Day Rally, Women's Day, Men's Day, Family Day Picnic, Revivals, Annual Banquets, Craft and Bake Sale, Yard Sale and Bible School.

Our organizations include a Choir, Youth Group and Sunday School.

Mission Design

Shiloh United Presbyterian Church exists to express the wholeness of the gospel for the totality of human need. The concerns of the church encompass Christ's mission of caring and sharing, development of Christian leadership, fellowship with other churches, and the utilization of talents that can help to upbuild God's kingdom on earth.

Kind of Impact

Although Shiloh has no member who is on the school board, it has a warm, supportive relationship with the community schools. Teachers represent about six percent of its membership. These teachers have made the church strongly effective in the community by inviting school organizations such as girl scouts, boy scouts, choirs, and bands to participate in the various enrichment activities of the church.



Spout Springs Presbyterian Church Cameron, North Carolina



According to records of more than a hundred years behind us, we find that two of our dedicated and courageous forefathers, Jack Redding and Ned McGregor were desirous of a place to worship God. Having deep feelings for their families and community, they combined their spiritual and physical strength with that of the families and friends and built our first church in the year of 1869. With constant repair, this church building stood for 97 years.

In the year of 1962, under the leadership of Rev. Robert E. Stitt, pastor, and Elder Sippio Burton, Chairman of the Building Committee, being determined to make the past our heritage, the present our responsibility, the future our challenge, we began the task of building a new church which was dedicated June 26, 1966.

Spout Springs Presbyterian Church is incorporated with Lillington First Presbyterian Church and Williams Chapel Presbyterian. Therefore, we have two pastoral Sundays each month and Church School every Sunday. Being able to work in union with two other churches has been a most successful project for our church and community. We have three choirs, United Presbyterian men, women and youth organizations. With 72 members and Rev. Clemon O. Williams, Pastor, our mission is designed to reach out and minister to persons of all ages, races and conditions.

Church Officers 1986

Elders

Wilbur Brower,
Asst. Church School Supt.

Sally Graves, Chairman
U.P.W. & Bldg. Committee

Jackson Brower, Chairman
U.P.M.

Rubin McCoy, Treasurer,
(General)

Bobbie Gilchrist,
Secretary

Alice Brower, Chairman,
Nominating Committee

Joseph Washington,
Deceased 6/21/86, Treasurer,
Building Committee

Deacons

Marie Wilkerson

Juliette McCoy

Alice Hamilton, President,
Senior Choir

Hulan Brower

Janie White

Algiareen Washington,
Secretary

Mavis Fleming

Mary Arnold, Church School
Supt. & Auditor

Trustees

Jerone Washington

Mary Jones, Secretary

Resa Brower, Mission
Treasurer

Hazelen Cash

Joseph Brower

Odell Cameron

G. Myrtle Smith,
Session Clerk

Other Officers

Annie Simpson,
President, U.P.Y.

Hazelen Cash, President,
Usher Board

Pricilla Brower,
Choir Chairman

C. Baldwin, President,
Birthday Club

Ruby Washington, Treasurer,
Church School

Organists:
Bertha Taliaferro
Michell Williams
Melissa Arnold

Rev. Clemon O. Williams, Pastor
G. Myrtle Smith, Session Clerk

Pastors: 1869-1986

Rev. Rattleford
Rev. Montgomery
Rev. Johnson
Rev. Harper

Rev. Bess
Rev. Moore
Rev. Jamerson
Rev. Peede

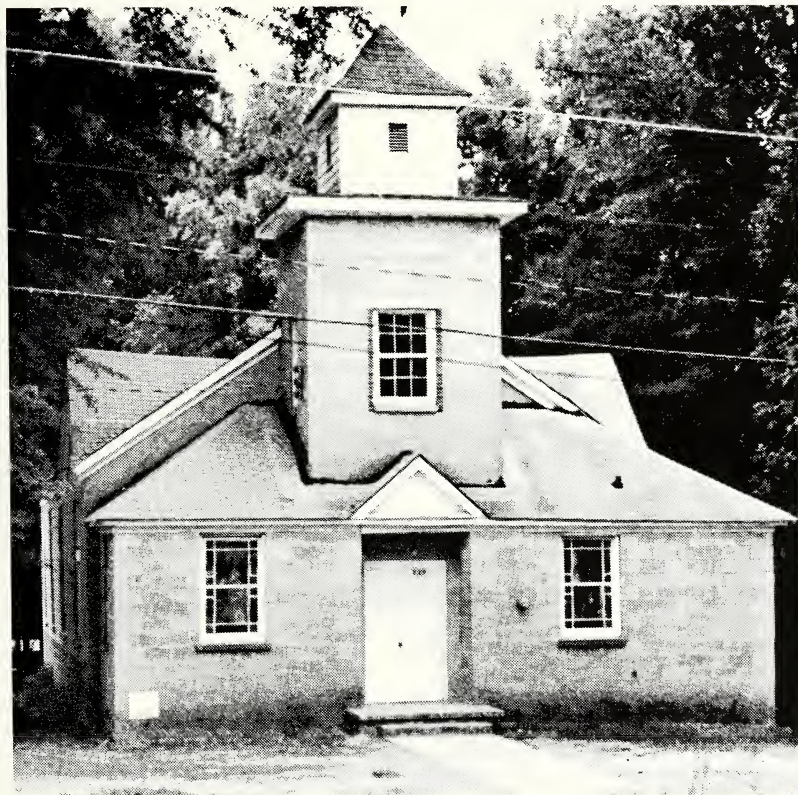
Rev. Lewis
Rev. Brown
Rev. Stitt
Rev. Williams

Elders: 1869-1986

Jack Redding
Ned McGregor
Willis McRae
Harry Washington, Sr.
A.A. Roan
Harry Washington, Jr.
Paul Washington
Madison Brower
Sippio Burton
Eugene Brower

Sherman Stewart
G. Myrtle Smith
Luther E. Smith
Hulan Brower
James Wilkerson
Marie Wilkerson
Jackson Brower
Sally Graves
Alfred Fuller
Gertrude C. Stitt Bullock

Spring Street Presbyterian Church Wake Forest, North Carolina



Spring Street Presbyterian Church was first organized in the year 1905 with a small group of people assembled in the public school building, which was located on the southeast corner of Taylor and Juniper Streets.

The building was later used for a dwelling house and was located on the lot now occupied by the town of Wake Forest's water tank. The Presbyterian Mission Board sent workers to aid in the organizing of the Church, which took place with five persons present.

For the first six months, meetings were held in the old Bed Spring Factory located on White Street next to the Cotton Gin site. Sunday School was held each Sunday and church services were held on the fourth Sunday of each month.

At the end of six months, this group, led by the late Mr. Nathaniel Mitchell and Mr. A.L. Young, received aid from the Board of Mission and raised sufficient funds to purchase a lot and construct a building to be used for Sunday School, Church service, and other activities. With an increase of 45 in membership, new organizations were formed, such as the Young People's Christian Endeavor Society, the Light Bearer's Society, and later Westminster Fellowship.

As time passed the church developed and membership gradually grew. Many area ministers were sent from the National Board of Missions to render services; and even though they are deceased, their memory and contributions remain with the members of the church. As the years went by the church continued to grow and service improved. This led to the celebration of the cornerstone laying of a new church located on Spring Street, September 6, 1948, with the present pastor - the Rev. J. Enoch Kearney, and a membership of 51. As they continued to work in the church, upon its completion, they celebrated the church's 50th anniversary on July 3, 1955. Other activities were held and other organizations were organized, namely the Women's Organization of Presbyterian Women, the Youth Fellowship Group, and others.

Even though we are small in numbers, we have Church School, every Sunday morning at 10:00 A.M.; and Church Worship Service on the 2nd and 4th Sunday morning in each month and each 5th Sunday morning at 11:00 A.M.

Many of our church organizations are still active, and just as in the past, we send delegates to conferences and conventions. We have hosted Cape Fear Presbytery, the Young People's Youth Rally, and the Synod of Catawba.

Today, our active organizations are the United Presbyterian Women (UPW), the Senior Usher Board, and a newly organized group of young adults known as YACA-Young Adult Christian Association.

We wish to pay special thanks and tributes to those people and their families who worked and labored so faithfully and earnestly in organizing and building the Spring Street Presbyterian Church (USA), especially to the family of the late Mr. Allen L. Young, founder of the Church and school, and Mrs. S.B. Alston and Mrs. Duval Purefoy, the oldest living members of the church today.

The following ministers served the Spring Street Presbyterian Church:

Rev. H.C. Mabry, Raleigh, NC
Rev. J.W. Smith, Sr., Charlotte, NC
Rev. G.W. Anderson, Danville, VA
Rev. Dr. J.A. Savage, Franklinton, NC

Rev. L.E. Fairly, Raleigh, NC
Rev. H.S. Davis, Oxford, NC
Rev. O.E. Saunders, Wilson, NC
Rev. Robert Stitt, Henderson, NC

Our present pastor is the Rev. James E. Kearney of Franklinton, North Carolina.

The Reverend J. Enoch Kearney, our minister, is a native North Carolinian. He was born in Franklinton, North Carolina and he did his high school work at Albion Academy, a Presbyterian-operated high school. His theological training was received in the Shaw University Divinity School and his M.A. was in History at North Carolina Central University. He has served several years as a teacher of chemistry, biology, and instrumental music in the public schools of North Carolina. In addition to serving as our pastor, he also serves the Trinity Presbyterian Church of Smithfield, NC.

In the national church he is a member of the board of the Presbyterian Historical Society, the Presbyterian Panel, and a member of the Synod of the Piedmont Support Division. Reverend Kearney is a Mason, President of the Franklin County Branch of N.A.A.C.P., is a member of the House of Delegates of the North Carolina Council of Churches and the North Carolina Civil Liberties Union. He is also President of the Wake Forest Ministers Association and of the Concerned Citizens for Racial Justice.

He is married to Mrs. Peggie Mizelle Kearney, a media specialist in the Vance County Schools, and is the father of four children; James Enoch, Jr., Helen Thabhani, Reginald Ivan, and Roderick Edison Kearney.



Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church Oxford, North Carolina



When George Clayton Shaw was a student at Auburn Theological Seminary, he had a dream of how he could become a leader among his people in the South. He shared this dream with his instructor, Dr. Timothy Darling, who arranged for him to meet Mrs. Mary Potter, special secretary of the Freedmen Board. Like Dr. Darling, Mrs. Potter was so impressed with this energetic student that she pledged financial aid so that George Shaw might preach in the South during the summer months of 1888.

Mr. Shaw came South in May, 1888, to select a field. His Presbytery, Cape Fear, suggested that he go to the small mission already started in Wilson or to Oxford where there was no Negro Presbyterian Church. On his way to Wilson, he had an urge to visit Oxford, if only for a few hours.

Mr. Shaw arrived in Oxford on Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in May. On Thursday, he made a survey of the town and learned that the population of the township of Oxford was about fifty-six percent Negro. Nevertheless, he retired that evening discouraged over the idea of establishing a Presbyterian Church in Oxford. But realizing that the population of colored was 17,479, his determination was renewed. On Friday, he went to talk to the white Presbyterian minister.

The Rev. Willis directed Mr. Shaw to the only Negro Presbyterian in the community, a Mrs. Harriette Howell, who was a member of the white Church. Mr. Shaw visited Mrs. Howell and told her of his desire to organize a Presbyterian Church, but had become discouraged by the response of the people he had met on the streets.

Mrs. Howell assured this young man that he could establish a Presbyterian Church by replying in these words: "Why, certainly, you can establish a Presbyterian Church here! That is why God sent you here. That is what I have been praying for. You cannot go away!"

Fired with this ringing challenge, Mr. Shaw set out to find a place to hold service. He found an old dilapidated building; he knocked together a few seats, and spent the remainder of Saturday walking the streets, telling people that he would preach in the old school building on Sunday morning. Mrs. Howell notified all in her community. On Sunday morning, there were seventy-five people present.

On the first Sunday in August, 1888, the church was established and was given the name Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church as a tribute to Dr. Darling.

Mr. Shaw returned to Auburn to continue his studies. When he returned to Oxford the next summer, he found the church doors closed and the congregation scattered. Enemies and rivals of the new denomination had caused the building to be closed, and there was no place to worship. Mr. Shaw turned again to his friends, Dr. Darling and Mrs. Potter, and presented his plight. Immediately, they responded and sent a check for three hundred dollars with the message, "Buy a lot and build a church."

Immediately, Mr. Shaw purchased a lot about two blocks from the center of the town and constructed a small building, which was the first Presbyterian Church for Negroes in Granville County.

On May 7, 1890, George Shaw graduated from Auburn Theological Seminary. On May 14, he married Miss Mary E. Lewis, a school teacher from Penn Valley, Pa. They journeyed southward to build a pioneer work together on faith - a Negro Presbyterian Church and a school.

In 1906, the church building was separated from the school. A corner lot two blocks from the school grounds was purchased, and a frame church was built. This frame building was later brick-veneered, and memorial windows were installed. It stands today in the same spot - the corner of McClanahan and Broad Streets - as a monument to Dr. Timothy Darling, Mrs. Mary Potter, Mrs. Harriette Howell, and to Dr. George Clayton Shaw, himself.

Dr. Shaw served the church he founded until his death in 1936. Dr. H.S. Davis, a graduate of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary, who was the principal of the school and also the assistant to Dr. Shaw, was installed as pastor on April 14, 1937. He remained the pastor until July 30, 1956, when he retired because of failing health.

Rev. Clarence E. Lennon, a graduate of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary, was installed as pastor on May 19, 1957. He accepted a call to a church in Chicago, Ill., and resigned as pastor on April 6, 1961. Rev. William Walls, also a graduate of Johnson C. Smith, was installed as pastor on May 13, 1962. On December 1, 1969, he resigned to accept a call in Columbus, Ohio. On September 30, 1970, Rev. James A. Dickens, a graduate of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., was installed as pastor. He resigned on July 31, 1975, to accept a call in Statesville, North Carolina. Dr. Kay-Robert Volkwijn, a graduate of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, Pa., and of McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill., was installed as pastor on June 6, 1976. On April 26, 1984, he resigned to accept a position with the Orange Presbytery. Presently, Timothy Darling is without a pastor.

The mission of Timothy Darling is to communicate the Gospel - to convey the Good News that sin is forgiven, and that people have been reconciled to God by the atoning life and death of Jesus Christ. We accept Christ's call to share in the ministry in our worship, our evangelism, our stewardship, and our educational ministry. It is our responsibility to encourage all members, including our youth, to become personally involved in worship by taking part in the common life and worship of the church; to encourage all members to realize that evangelism is the responsibility of all and should be done through individual witnessing as well as corporate. It is our responsibility to see that all are involved in community and world services - administering to the poor, the aged, the hungry, and the sick and shut-in. It is our responsibility to help members realize the true meaning of stewardship, so that we may use our talents, our time, and our possessions to give God glory and to help people over the world develop physically and spiritually: thus, we will support our local mission and the general mission of our church, the Presbyterian Church (USA).



The Townsville United Presbyterian Church Townsville, North Carolina

One of the units composing the extended Cotton Memorial parish was the Townsville United Presbyterian Church, located in the village of Townsville about 14 miles north of Henderson on North Carolina Highway 39.

Organized by the late Dr. John Adam Cotton in 1904, the original congregation consisted of between 25 and 30 members belonging to the Brame, Taylor and Sneed families. Mr. Grandison Samson Taylor and Mr. David Brame were the first ordained ruling elders.

The first regular minister was the Rev. Mr. Tartar who served several years until injuries sustained in a highway accident forced him to retire. He was succeeded by the Rev. James E. James, a member of the Henderson Institute faculty, who served until his death in 1929 or 1930. The Rev. W.H. Barnes, another Institute faculty member, then served the Townsville congregation for seven years, being succeeded in 1936 by the Rev. John R. Dungee of the Institute faculty who served until April, 1942 when he entered the United States Army as chaplain and was succeeded by the Rev. St. Paul Epps. After the end of World War II, Rev. Dungee was called back to the Henderson-Townsville parish and served the parish until his retirement in December of 1968.

A highly valued service rendered by the Townsville U.P. Church to the people of its community was the Vacation Bible School initiated by the Rev. Dungee in 1937 simultaneously with the one in the Henderson U.P. Church and enrolling pupils from kindergarten age through senior adulthood. The daily schedule included morning devotions, Bible study, singing, handicraft, recreation and refreshments served during intermission. Among the early teachers were: Elder and Mrs. W.E. Williams, Mr. Philip Lewis, Mrs. H.L. Taylor, Sr., Miss Elizabeth Brame, (now Mrs. E.B. Bullock), and Mrs. A.E. Dungee.

In the summers of 1946-47 the Vacation Bible Schools at Townsville and Henderson were conducted by Miss Mary Conley, teacher of Bible at Henderson Institute. Upon her transfer to the Alabama mission field, she was succeeded by Miss Eva Thomas on the Institute faculty and as conductor of the two Vacation Bible Schools. Miss Thomas, then a ruling elder of the Cotton Memorial congregation, rendered untiring service as director of Vacation Bible Schools until the official merger of the Townsville and Henderson congregations in 1963, constituting the present Cotton Memorial United Presbyterian Church.

Cotton Memorial Church now includes former members of the Townsville congregation from the Brame, Sneed, Taylor, Hatton, and Hanks families.



Trinity Presbyterian Church History Smithfield, North Carolina



Sunday, May 6, 1923, the Cape Fear Presbytery appointed Committee - Dr. D.C. Dillard, Rev. A.H. George and Elder J.W. Parker - met in the YMCA hall with 26 members of the Smithfield Mission and organized it into a Church. This meeting opened with a Worship Service. The order of business - election, ordination, installation of elders, Mr. James Allen and Mr. John Bunn, and deacons, Mr. A.D. Avery, Mr. Leo Smith and Mr. Richmond Smith, and named the church Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Rev. J.B. Harper served as the first of twelve stated supply ministers. Eight served plus their regular pastoral commitments. Rev. O.C. Harris and Rev. R.E. Stitt were the only pastors who lived on the field. Rev. Stokes and Rev. O.C. Sanders were the two retired ministers to serve. Rev. J. Enoch Kearney, the present moderator, came in 1979, and serves this church and Spring Street Presbyterian Church, Wake Forest, North Carolina.

A vacant building owned by Mr. J.H. and Mrs. Odell Jones was used as a church. June 1924, the Jones property was deeded to the Church's trustees - James Allen, D.J. Avery, Leo Smith and Richmond Smith for \$10.00. The deacons were authorized to purchase 10 shares in the Smithfield Building Loan. In 1939, Trinity bought the old Catholic Church building for \$200.00 and moved it to its own property. This edifice was the sanctuary and the original building became the Parish House for recreation and youth programs. August 13, 1941, a Certificate of Incorporation was filed by Secretary of State Thad Eure in the Register of Deed's Office, Book 6, Page 465. In 1966, the sanctuary, with all contents, was destroyed by fire, but services were again held in the Parish House. With a loan of \$9,000.00 and sale of the present site, the new edifice was dedicated May 30, 1971, while Rev. O.E. Sanders was the minister.

Trinity is proud of having one member whose grandparent and parent were charter members, to become an active Presbyterian minister who graduated from Johnson C. Smith University, was licensed, ordained and installed by Cape Fear Presbytery.

A charter member - Mrs. Sallie Smith Steven's home was destroyed by fire, so she, her husband and four children lived in the Parish House until their new home was built.

Mrs. Geneva L. Bunn is the only deceased member who willed her home to the Retired Presbyterian Ministers who let Cape Fear Presbytery have it. They sold the property for \$9,000.00 and gave Trinity \$86.87 to finish paying off the note.

In 1982, Trinity began its 5 year Outreach and Evangelism Program to build up the communicant, stewardship, and spiritual life. Mr. Charles W. Strode is the project manager. Aid has been received from the Synod. A van is being purchased. Increased church school membership, Vacation Bible School and special classes in August are held. Transportation for church school and worship services is provided.

With Rev. Kearney, moderator and Mr. Charles E. Whitakers, clerk and elders, Mrs. Ruby Sanders, Mrs. Bettina Wilson, Mr. Roland Stevens, Mr. Charles Strode, Mrs. Doris Strode, Mr. Theodore Vines, Mr. Lawrence Williams and Music Director Mrs. Doris Strode and the 15 active members giving their sacrificial financial effort and volunteer services are trying to meet the 1987 goal - OUTREACH and EVANGELISM.



White Rock Presbyterian Church Kinston, North Carolina



White Rock Presbyterian Church was organized November 22, 1899. The church has the distinction of having originated as a Sunday school. The church grew from the Sunday School that Sam H. Vick, a Presbyterian Sunday School Missionary of Wilson, North Carolina established in May 1898 at the home of Mrs. L.C. Phillips who lived on Heritage Street. As the Sunday School began to grow, the meeting place was moved to a building on West North Street.

Growth of the church continued as the group felt there was a need for a larger building. On November 22, 1899, representatives of the Cape Fear Presbytery came to Kinston and organized White Rock Presbyterian Church with Rev. J.H. Sampson as the first pastor.

The new church began regular service in the Good Samaritan Hall on North Independent Street. Worship was held there until the current building was purchased from a white congregation of First Baptist Church.

This building, the present White Rock Church, is the oldest church structure in Kinston. It was built in 1858 on the corner of Bright and McLewean Streets. In 1891, it was moved to the corner of McLewean and Gordon Streets. Then in 1900, the church was sold to the White Rock congregation and moved a second time to the corner of Thompson and Tiffany Streets, once known as Dennis and Thompson Streets.

The church is a wooden structure, painted white and has always been painted white. It was built in the early America Colonial Tradition with a steeple that was damaged by the weather and time. The base of the steeple remains intact, but the spire was discarded because of damage and old age. Inside the steeple is a bell which is still in operation. The original roof was replaced because of leakage.

Some renovations have been made, such as changing the porch from wood to cement, addition of two columns, and arranging the porch to include two restrooms.

On the inside of the church are the original pews with new coverings for beauty and comfort. The windows have their original shape with new window panes. Carpet has been placed over the original floors. New lighting fixtures have replaced the original ones. The doors and railings are also the original, but the cabinets were replaced with new ones.

On August 5, 1977, the Board of Trustees of White Rock purchased a house and lot adjacent to the church on Thompson Street to be used for Sunday School classes and other church activities.

Services are held each Sunday and special events - Human Relation's Week, Men's Day, Women's Day, Vacation Bible School, Young People's Day, and Youth Day are celebrated throughout the year.

The following have served as pastors of White Rock:

Rev. J.H. Sampson	1899-1906
Rev. R.L. Fairley	1906-1911
Rev. J.H. Sampson	1911-1915
Rev. R.F. Jamerson	1915-1916
Rev. W.D. Burgess	1916-1919
Rev. J.B. Harper	1919-1922
Rev. J.H. Sampson	1922-1929
Rev. R.N. Cowan	1929-1932
Rev. M.S. Branch	1932-1945
Rev. O.E. Sanders	1945-1965
Rev. Eugene James	1965-1968
Rev. Arthur Taylor	1969-1972
*Rev. Donaldson Woods	1972-1976
Rev. Hubert Reaves, Jr.	1976-1981

The pulpit has been vacant since November 1981. Dr. St. Paul Epps was assigned as Moderator of the church by Cape Fear Presbytery.

* Rev. Donaldson Woods was a white minister who came to Kinston as a teacher at Lenoir Community College. He became affiliated with White Rock upon his arrival and later served as pastor.



The History of Wilson Chapel Presbyterian Church Route 2, Maxton, North Carolina

In the year 1879 the Presbyterian missionaries from the north came south to Centre Presbyterian Church in Maxton, N.C. Centre had a total of 487 members, 139 were Black. The missionaries decided that the Blacks would never learn to guide and direct their own Christian lives as long as they remained in churches controlled by whites. Therefore, Centre Church donated \$500.00 to help buy a lot and build a church building for the Black members. The church was named WILSON CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Most of the first members were from the Floral College Community located north of Maxton. They were the Blue, Campbell, Gilchrist, Johnson, Leake, McEachin, McIntosh, McNeill, Murphy, Paige and Watson family ancestors.

The first known elders and officers were Wesley Campbell, Annie E. Gaines, Angus McEachin, Paisley McEachin, Wesley McNeill, John Murphy and Nelson Purcell. Mrs. Maggie Paige was the first known pianist.

Some of the pioneer ministers who worked and fostered the growth of the church were Reverend J.J. Wilson, Reverend Fairley, Reverend Mabry, Reverend Ward, Reverend Williamson, Reverend Scriven and Doctor C.C. Thomas.

Wilson Chapel is the oldest existing Black Presbyterian church in Maxton, and is also the mother-church to Dothan Presbyterian Church in Maxton.

In July 1985 Reverend Charles Ray Conley began serving the church. He is president of Robeson County Family Planning Advisory Council, a member of the Robeson County Church and Community Center and Robeson County Committee on Domestic Violence.

The Elders are: Eddie Davis, Annie E. Barnes, Henry B. Johnson, Grady Johnson, Willie McEachin, Ola McBryde and Carrie L. Leake. The Deacons are Martin Gilchrist, Andrew Mc Eachin, Mary L. Johnson and Carrie J. Monroe. The church organizations are the Adult Choir and the Men's Organization.

Ours is a great heritage handed down through the labors and sacrifices of many faithful Christians. Let us, in the Power of God's Spirit accept the privileges and responsibilities that are ours in this new day.



Churches Which Submitted No Histories:

Freedom East Presbyterian Church
Raeford, North Carolina

Lillington First Presbyterian Church
Lillington, North Carolina

Williams Chapel Presbyterian Church
Broadway, North Carolina

About Our Speaker
JAMES HUTTEN COSTEN
President,
The Interdenominational Theological Center



James Hutten Costen is a native of Omaha, Nebraska. He attended elementary and high school there and went on to earn the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity degrees from Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina. He received the Master of Theology degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina. Costen holds six honorary degrees: the Doctor of Divinity from Johnson C. Smith University and Missouri Valley College; the Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Stillman College, the Doctor of Divinity degree from Huron College, and the Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Barber-Scotia College and Tusculum College.

An ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), his ministry began in Rocky Mount, North Carolina where he was pastor of the Mount Pisgah Presbyterian Church from 1956-1965. Dr. Costen then moved to Atlanta to become the organizing pastor of the Presbyterian Church of the Master. Under his leadership, the congregation grew to an interracial membership of almost 200 during his five year tenure.

Johnson C. Smith Seminary, the theological extension of Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina, moved to Atlanta in 1969 to become a constituent member of the Interdenominational Theological Center. James Costen was called to be its first Dean, a position he held for 14 years.

Dr. Costen has served the Presbyterian Church in many capacities, among which are chairperson of the General Assembly Permanent Nominations Committee, chairperson of the Southeastern Regional Council, chairperson of the Minority Task Force on Reunion and Vice Moderator of the General Assembly Council and member of the Council of Theological Seminaries. He has served as Moderator of the Cape Fear and Georgia Presbyteries and the Catawba Synod. In 1982, he became moderator of the 194th General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, the denomination's highest elective position. It was during this time that the denomination merged with the Southern Presbyterian branch to form the reunited Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Costen traveled worldwide as the primary interpreter of the denomination's life and work. He was the fourth Black to be elected to this position in the United Presbyterian Church.

Currently, Dr. Costen serves the church through his membership on the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Foundation, the Design Team for Black Presbyterians United, the Transitional Team for Design of Synod Boundaries, the committee on Theological Institutions, the committee on Theological Education, Editor-at-Large for the Editorial Advisory Committee of Presbyterians United for Biblical Concerns and the Georgia Presbytery.

His many local civic memberships include Leadership Atlanta, the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust, the Holocaust, the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce Business Development Committee, and the Administrative Council of the Atlanta University Center. He also serves on the boards of the Atlanta Urban Training Organization, the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and the Christian Council of Metropolitan Atlanta.

Nationally, Dr. Costen serves on the Board of Trustees for the Fund for Theological Education and the United Negro College Fund. He is a member of the Black Theology Project, the Executive Committee of the Atlanta Theological Association, the Black/Jewish Coalition, the Visiting Committee for the Yale University Divinity School, and the Society for the Study of Black Religion.

Dr. Costen is the author of several articles and has given numerous speeches on the subject of Black Presbyterianism, ministry to the laity, and Christian community involvement. Notable among them are:

"Business and Religion in the Age of Robotics",
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1985.

"The Black Presbyterian Church and Its Rural Ministry",
Princeton Seminary Bulletin, Volume V, Number 1, 1984.

"Black Theological Education: Its Context, Content and Conduct",
Inaugural Address, Interdenominational Theological Center, 1984.

"Martin Luther King, Jr.: His Theology and Contribution to Ethnic Pride",
January, 1986, Richmond, Virginia.

"The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit",
Series of lectures at Saint Paul Theological College, Limuru, Kenya East Africa, 1974.

"Black Presbyterianism: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow",
Black Advisory Committee Celebration of the Southern California Synod, UPCUSA, January, 1976.

"What Does It Mean To Take Christ Seriously Today?",
Evangelism Now Series, published by Division of Evangelism, United Presbyterian Church.

Dr. James H. Costen became the fifth president of the Interdenominational Theological Center in December, 1983, and considers his appointment and the subsequent progress of the institution, one of his greatest achievements. Other major accomplishments include being the Founder and Chairman of the Board for the Harbison Development Corporation, a planned HUD Title VII new town near Columbia, South Carolina.

He has received many awards and citations for his professional and civic achievements. They include the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Man of the Year Award for 1962, in Rocky Mount, North Carolina; the Butler Street YMCA, Omega Chapter Y's Men's Club Young Man of the Year in Religion for 1966 in Atlanta, Georgia; National Conference of Christians and Jews Certificate of Recognition in 1967 for work in organizing Southwest Atlantans for Progress (SWAP), the Frontiersman Man of the Year for 1984, and the Distinguished Alumnus Award for 1985 from Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Dr. Costen's fraternal affiliations include Alpha Phi Alpha, Incorporated; Kappa Boule, Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society and Theta Phi National Religious Honor Society.

Dr. Costen is married to Dr. Melva Wilson Costen, Nielsen Associate Professor of Music and Worship at ITC. The Costens have three children and four grandchildren.

The Presbytery Of Cape Fear

CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

October 12, 1986

ORDER OF SERVICE

MUSIC FOR THE GATHERING OF PEOPLE	Ms. Daria M. Holcumb Organist, Cotton Memorial Church
INTROIT	"Bless His Holy Name" Andrae Crouch
PROCESSIONAL HYMN	"Come Christians, Join and Sing" Harmonized by David Evans
CALL TO WORSHIP	Mrs. Ruth Brewer, Moderator Cape Fear Presbytery
INVOCATION	President of the Youth
THE CONFESSION OF SINS	Mrs. Ruth Brewer
UNISON PRAYER	
ASSURANCE OF PARDON	
CHORAL RESPONSE "Gloria Patri"	
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Mr. Luther Baldwin, President Men's Council
MUSIC	"Lift Every Voice and Sing" Johnson
READING FROM THE EPISTLES	Mrs. Henrietta Clark, President Cape Fear Presbyterial
ANTHEM	"My Tribute" Andrae Crouch
GOSPEL LESSON	
INTRODUCTION OF THE MINISTER	Rev. Harry Miller, Stated Clerk Cape Fear Presbytery
SERMON	Dr. James H. Costen, President Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Georgia
CONTEMPORARY GOSPEL HYMN	"We've Come This Far By Faith" Albert Goodson
AFFIRMATION LITANY	Rev. Eddie Deas, III, Pastor Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church
THE OFFERING	Rev. Antonio Lawrence
OFFERTORY SPIRITUALS	I'VE BEEN BUKED NOBODY KNOWS THE TROUBLE I'VE SEEN WE ARE CLIMBING JACOB'S LADDER

DOXOLOGY	People
PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION	Rev. Arnold Walker, Jr., Pastor Bethany Presbyterian Church

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Leader reads bold print.

LORD OF CREATION, WHO EVER CALLS PEOPLES INTO YOUR CHURCH, AND SENDS THEM FORTH TO SHARE IN THE STRUGGLE OF RECONCILING THE WORLD:

For giving this Presbytery birth one hundred years ago;

For sending early leaders, prepared and ready, to journey far and wide,
on horseback and wagon, to evangelize the lost, least and lone;

For drawing former slaves together into churches and into a Presbytery
of their own to do Christian work;

For stirring men and women across the years to give wholeheartedly of
themselves to keep alive the mission of your Church;

For raising generations of peoples of all walks of life with the Christian
upbringing of this Presbytery who practice Christianity in their daily affairs;

For all these glorious blessings we thank you this day, O Lord.

AS WE FACE A NEW AND UNCERTAIN FUTURE, ONE IN WHICH YOU MAY GIVE BIRTH TO A NEW PRESBYTERY, WHERE BLACKS AND WHITES ARE JOINED TOGETHER:

Make us equal to the challenge.

Keep ever before us the bright examples of faith and courage from our past,
and the unrelenting struggle of our forebearers against injustice.

Call forth church leaders who can enable churches to become
more faithful in their mission. Awaken our churches to the untapped potential
for renewal, development and outreach to the world.

Take our gifts, many of which have been forged in the fires of oppression and
use them mightily: Gifts of compassion, endurance, creativity, empathy, laughter
and joy.

Pour out your Spirit upon us afresh, so we will dream dreams and see visions,
and dare to do great things for you, things needed to draw the world into a
divine harmony, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

AMEN, O LORD, AMEN.

RECESSIONAL HYMN	"God of the Ages"	Traditional Gaelic Melody
CHARGE AND BENEDICTION	Dr. James H. Costen	
CHORAL RESPONSE	"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"	
POSTLUDE	Ms. Daria M. Holcomb	

The Elm City Racial Incident and the Ku Klux Klan

June 1964

Initially the work project of Elm City, North Carolina was a contract between the Elm City First Presbyterian Church, approved by Cape Fear Presbytery, the United Presbyterian Board of National Missions Youth Program Department, and the Mount Lebanon United Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The Elm City Church, not having been painted for twenty years, had requested help from Mount Lebanon. Under the guidance of Reverend James Costen, pastor of Mount Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount, North Carolina, the Elm City Church was to be painted by the youth of Mount Lebanon and a Vacation Church School was to be conducted.

To insure the success of this venture, three months of interpretation were given the project. Much effort was made in Elm City interpreting to the White clergy and the mayor the purpose of this churchly venture. It was the hope that the three months period could be used properly in gaining tacit understanding, if not full appreciation and support of the intentions of this project. Commitment was gained from two white churches in Elm City to have youth of their churches join the Mount Lebanon group from Pittsburgh. These commitments were not fulfilled.

Thus, despite the care taken to educate the community, when the Mount Lebanon group arrived from Pittsburgh and began painting the church with a group of Negro youth and adults, a group of Whites in cars circled the project on Wednesday, June 17, 1964, to see what was actually going on. They found what they expected, Negroes and Whites working harmoniously together to do a job that needed to be done.

The Honorable Mayor George E. Tyson of Elm City had been given advance notice of the group's arrival and had been invited. He had agreed to appear, but failed to do so. On the night of June 17, 1964, the Ku Klux Klan, led by Robert Jones, North Carolina Grand Dragon, amassed about two hundred Klansmen before the home in which the group was meeting. The Grand Dragon, insulting the girls, ordered them and their chaperones out of town by noon the next day, June 18, 1964. The group was young and unaccustomed to Southern ways so they left. In a strictly legal and political sense the Klan challenged the right of the Presbyterian Church to continue its concern for its total Mission of caring for all people.

To counter this challenge, the Mayor of Elm City, the Governor of North Carolina, the FBI, and Officials of the National United Presbyterian Church were notified. As a result, the Synod of Catawba instructed its Executive, Elo L. Henderson, to select an integrated group of persons to go to Elm City and paint the church. Twelve painters were chosen. Six of the painters came from the states of Pennsylvania and New York, and the other six from the Catawba Synod. It was amazing to note that those who came to paint the church came prepared to die for the cause. Governor Terry Sanford of North Carolina sent National Guard protection and the church was painted!



The Townsville Presbyterian School Townsville, North Carolina

An invaluable service of the Townsville Church to its surrounding community was rendered through an affiliated mission elementary school established soon after the church was organized and headed by Mrs. Bettie Taylor Groves, a consecrated daughter of Elder Grandison Taylor and sister of Elder Herbert L. Taylor, Sr. Among the early teachers assisting Mrs. Groves were Mrs. Adelaide R. Bullock and Mrs. Mamie R. Rogers, long time senior members of the Cotton Memorial congregation.

Mrs. Groves and Mrs. Bullock transferred to parishes in Wilcox County, Alabama and the late Elder W.E. Williams served the enlarged elementary school adjacent to the church for many years until it was taken over for operation by the state. The school was eventually merged with two other rural schools into the present New Hope Elementary School located on NC Highway 39 between Townsville and Williamsboro.

MRS. GROVES' STORY

Some years ago, in the north-eastern part of North Carolina, there lived, four miles from any school, a family with ten children. Sixteen miles distant, at Henderson, North Carolina was a mission school, Henderson Normal Institute. To this mission school, the parents of this family sent one of their little girls.

Her clothes were few. Aside from what she wore, a blue checked calico dress, a brown checked homespun and a few undergarments made up her wardrobe.

This little girl spent eight years in this mission school and did not miss one ringing of the bell for the girls except when she was visited by the chicken-pox. In these eight years she did all the work she could get to do - she washed dishes, waited on table, carried coal, made fires, kept the prayer rooms and the sewing rooms, cleaned the teachers' rooms, polished stoves - to pay her way through school.

Day by day, the Christian teaching, the morning and evening devotion, the daily use of the Psalms, the regular call to church, Sabbath School and prayer meeting, changed this little girl through and through. She graduated an earnest Christian and a strong United Presbyterian.

After her graduation, she went back to her home without money and without any promise of money - to start a mission school at her home like the one she had attended. She organized a Sabbath School in the little public school house and a sewing circle in a friend's home. These kept up regularly until she was put out of the school house and told she could not hold her United Presbyterian meetings there any longer.

The snow was deep the day she moved. But she and her brother got her fourteen Bible Songs, her seven Bibles and her lamp - which was all she had - and took them up the road to a little log-cabin with a little stick chimney. This was to be her meeting place till she could do better. A barrel crate served as a table on which she placed her Bibles and Bible Song books. These she covered with a cracker box through the week to keep the rats from eating them. And here she worked and prayed.

Her father gave her the trees from some land he was clearing for his farm. She had these cut down, hauled to the saw mill, and the lumber put on the ground where the little cabin stood.

Then she wrote to the Board of Freedmen's Missions in Pittsburgh asking if it would pay a carpenter to build a house so that she could do better work - but no reply. Dr. Witherspoon, Secretary of the Freedmen's Board, visited her, but made no promise. When he was leaving he said, "Keep the fire burning at Townsville." This she did, for it was never too hot nor too cold to hold the meetings in that little log cabin. Finally, she hired a carpenter to do the work for \$75.00 and promised him that when he wanted his money he would get it. And the dear Lord sent it to her just in time to pay him when the work was finished.

The Freedmen's Board gave her a salary of \$10.00 a month. She opened a school in the new building and the work prospered. She prayed for a school building - the Lord gave it. She prayed for a Teachers' home - and behold! He gave it. This little girl ceased not working and praying until her mother and father, her brothers and sisters were all faithful Christians and members of the United Presbyterian Church. There was a congregation of over fifty members; a growing Sabbath School and over two hundred pupils in the day school; a live Temperance society; a Women's Missionary Society of all the women in the congregation; a Junior society and a Young People's Christian Union - all faithful in the work.

God used that little girl. Can He use you?

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Albion Academy Franklinton, North Carolina

According to the General Assembly minutes of 1865, persons were sent to do mission work in the South to "organize churches and schools in areas where the freed Negroes were concentrated and where it appeared that they would buy homes". Usually the Church and parochial schools were organized together. Many of these schools never grew beyond the level of the elementary schools. The minutes of the General Assembly of 1879 reflected the existence of seventy-eight schools. Four became strong high schools. Those were Mary Potter, Redstone Academy, Wake Forest Normal and Industrial School, and Albion Academy.

Of the Presbyterian Schools of wide influence, Albion was the most progressive.

Dr. Moses Aaron Hopkins was the founder of Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church and Albion Academy. He labored untiringly until Albion Academy was established. Two acres of land were purchased at 124 East College Street (Frontside) on which to build the school; and with the help, contributions, and volunteered labor of loyal church members, a large administration building, a shop, and a dormitory for girls were erected.

Dr. John A. Savage, successor to Dr. Hopkins, continued as administrator of Albion Academy for forty years. He increased the acreage of land from two to sixty acres and finally developed a school with ten buildings, four of them brick, that had the appearance of a college campus and the atmosphere of an institution of higher learning. By 1905, Albion Academy was a State Normal School and maintained a teacher-training program until 1931. Many teachers from many sections of the State received their first certificate to teach from this school. In addition to teachers, Albion produced carpenters, brick and stone masons, doctors, ministers, and a host of good citizens. The first Negro airplane pilot was a graduate of Albion Academy in the Presbyterian Archives in Philadelphia.

Albion Academy was finally phased out and the campus, with its improvements, sold. As a result of remaining endowments, the school was merged with Mary Potter and Redstone at Oxford, North Carolina under the name: **MARY POTTER - ALBION - REDSTONE ACADEMY.**



History of Henderson Institute Henderson, North Carolina



On September 7, 1891, Henderson Normal and Industrial Institute was established on the northern outskirts of the town of Henderson by the Board of Missions for Freedmen of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, with the Rev. J.M. Fulton as principal.

The Rev. Mr. Fulton resigned the principalship of Henderson Institute in 1893 and was succeeded by the Rev. C.L. McCracken. Dr. McCracken died that same year and was succeeded by the Rev. F.W. Woodfin as pastor of the church and by the Rev. Albert N. Porter as principal of Henderson Normal and Industrial Institute. The Rev. Woodfin served about two years, and the Rev. Mr. Porter served only one year, being succeeded in 1889 by the Rev. D.A.W. Johnson who also served for only one year.

In 1900 the Rev. J.L. Cook was transferred from Athens, Tennessee to Henderson, as both pastor and principal. The Rev. Cook died on July 6, 1903 and was succeeded on August 18 of the same year by Dr. John Adam Cotton as pastor and principal, Prof. J.W.O. Garrett having had the work in charge during the interim. The school grew and brought in boarding students from many states.

The boys' dormitory with the industrial shops located in its basement was destroyed by fire in 1923. Because of this loss industrial courses for boys were terminated. The girls' dormitory having been also destroyed by fire, had been replaced in 1914 by Fulton Hall which continued to serve as a girls' dormitory, dining hall, domestic science and home economics department facility while the Institute remained under Church control.

In 1922, in recognition of its high academic standard, Henderson Institute was accredited by the North Carolina Department of Education as an "A" Grade high school. During the next ten years the elementary grades were all dropped so that in 1932 only high school graduates were enrolled. In that year the Institute was placed on the accredited list of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools where it remained until 1936 when it was dropped because, having come under state operation, it failed to operate the minimum of 175 days per term required by the Southern Association.

During the school year 1931-32 the class room building was destroyed by fire. Because surrounding counties which had been furnishing most of the Institute boarding students, had begun to establish their own high schools for Colored students and bus transportation was being provided for rural students, thus eliminating the need for a boarding department. The Board of American Missions entered into an agreement with Vance County School Board whereby the county Board would be given two acres of land and the insurance from the burned building if it would replace the building and take over responsibility for Colored high school education. The academic work of the Institute thus came under the control of the state instead of the United Presbyterian Church. In 1935, the State, having assumed responsibility for operating all public elementary and high schools, reduced the school term to eight months.

Building upon the foundation laid with much loving sacrifice by his consecrated predecessors, Dr. Cotton and his queenly wife, Mrs. Maud Brooks Cotton, labored here from 1903 until 1940 in which year Dr. Cotton was appointed acting president of Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tennessee. Under his administration Henderson Institute, despite the handicap of three disastrous fires, developed from an intermediate and primary school to an "A-1" accredited high school, including in its program, departments of manual training: printing, broom making, domestic science, dress making and teacher training.

In 1940, Dr. Cotton having been appointed acting president of Knoxville College was succeeded as superintendent of the Institute by Mr. O.T. Robinson, a graduate of Knoxville College who had joined the faculty as a teacher in 1924 and who in 1934 had assumed the duties of principal under Dr. Cotton who remained in charge of general supervision and finance. Mr. Robinson, a very able educator and administrator, remained at the head of the Institute until 1947 when he resigned and was succeeded as principal by the late Mr. L.E. Spencer, husband of Elder Alma D. Spencer.

Mr. L.E. Spencer served as principal of Henderson Institute from 1947 until his retirement in 1969. In 1969, Mr. Clarence V. Knight, a graduate of Henderson Institute with an A.B. Degree from Hampton Institute and a Masters of Education Degree from Pennsylvania State University took over the helm as principal of Henderson Institute. Mr. Knight was principal of Henderson Institute when school integration took place. He served one year as principal of the all-Black High School, and three years as principal of the integrated Junior High School.

After integration the former high school was annexed to the nearby Eaton Johnson Elementary, and the combined facilities took the name of Eaton Johnson Junior High School. All of the former Henderson Institute buildings have been torn down except the former Library-Science Building. This building was deeded to Henderson Institute Alumni and Former Students Association. The Alumni Association has completely restored this building and it is now being used as a cultural center where the association and other groups meet. In the future the ground floor will be a museum where achievements of Blacks in various fields such as education, science, agriculture, the military, the arts and other professions will be displayed and maintained.



History Of Mary Potter School Oxford, North Carolina



Mary Potter school was an outgrowth of Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church. Dr. George Clayton Shaw, whose desire was to start a school to educate his people, was encouraged by many requests from members of the church. On the second Sunday in September, 1889, a parochial school was started in the church. At the end of the school year, 1890, there were twenty-nine pupils. In September of 1890 the school was reopened with Mrs. Mary Shaw, wife of Dr. Shaw, in charge, and a second teacher was hired to help with the growing number of pupils who ranged from age five to forty-five.

The year, 1892, marked the beginning of a small boarding department. When numerous requests from rural sections of the county were made for boarding accomodation, Dr. Shaw appealed to Mrs. Mary Potter for help to relieve overcrowded conditions. He received \$2,000.00 for improvement of the small church building already in use. He added a three-story structure to the church with two classrooms on the first floor, an assembly hall on the second floor, and living quarters for boys on the third floor. In the same year, the school was named Mary Potter School.

With a growing enrollment, the teaching force was increased to five, and the first graduation exercises were held in May, 1898, when three young people received preparatory diplomas. Before then, several students who were taught by Dr. Shaw were accepted at Lincoln University.

The first eleven years of the school's history were difficult, but in the new century, there followed a period of enlargement of physical equipment due to northern philanthropy. Additional land was purchased and other buildings were erected.

The second building which was erected in 1901, was a three-story frame structure enclosing a dining-room, a kitchen, a girl's parlor, and housing space for girls. The first building on the campus was enlarged in 1904 to give additional space for boys, and in 1907, an addition to the small church was made to house thirty boys. Dr. Shaw was also able to purchase two cottages across the street from the church to house women teachers and girls. When the church was moved from the school grounds in 1906, the original building was converted into a chapel and classroom.

Through the influence of Miss Helen Wells, secretary of the New York Synodical Society, Dr. Shaw received \$10,000.00 to build a large four-floor dormitory which housed the home economics department, the school kitchen and a dining-room on the basement floor. The teacher's parlor was on the second floor, and there were living quarters for girls on the second, third, and fourth floors.

There was a sharp increase in the number of students, and Dr. Shaw needed the classroom building for boys. He appealed to the Board for an administration building. In 1913, he received \$10,000.00. With \$9,100.00 he built the administration building, and with \$900.00, he changed the old recitation building into a boy's dormitory. This building was destroyed by fire in 1925. The Presbytery of Pittsburgh contributed \$50,000.00 for a new dormitory for boys, and Pittsburgh Hall became the pride of the campus.

In 1925, Dr. Shaw sold the school farm and built a brick manual training shop with the money he received from the sale.

The last building for the school was a brick gymnasium which was built through the efforts of students, faculty, alumni and Mrs. Mary E. Shaw. It was completed in 1929 and was named Mary E. Shaw Gymnasium in honor of Mrs. Shaw.

Money was granted in 1929 by the board for the renovation of Wells Hall, but the depression came and this could not be done. In 1935, Dr. H.S. Davis, who was then the principal, was instrumental in seeing that a new wing was added to Wells Hall.

Subjects taught at Mary Potter in 1910 included: Bible, geometry, English literature, composition and essays, Latin, Greek, theory and practice teaching, industrial shop or domestic science. Throughout the years the caliber of teaching was reflected in the accreditation of the school by the state in 1922 and with the affiliation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in 1934. In fact, J.F. Webb High School (the integrated school in the city) was initially accredited by the regional association when the students from Mary Potter were transferred there.

The boarding department of Mary Potter School was closed in the spring of 1953, and the property was sold to the Board of Education of the city. In 1970, the school became a middle school for all students - black and white. Even though great changes have been made, Mary Potter will remain alive through those faithful alumni who have dedicated themselves to the task of keeping the spirit and the tradition of the school alive for many many years to come.



The History Of Redstone Academy Lumberton, North Carolina

**1903 - 1933 Redstone Academy
1934 - 1949 Redstone High School**



Redstone Academy traces its beginnings as a small parochial Presbyterian school established in Lumberton, North Carolina in 1903 by the Board of Missions for Freedmen of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. The school, founded under the leadership of the Reverend John H. Hayswood, Pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church, was located on Carthage Road. This school was first called "Bethany" after the name of the local church. Rev. Hayswood and his wife, Mrs. Mattie Johnson Hayswood had seen the desperate need for Christian educational training for Black children in the area and began the school.

Material beginnings of the school were extremely meager. There were only a few seats, blackboards of planks, a wood-burning stove, and an outside toilet.

During the first year of operation, there was an enrollment of 45 students in grades one through seven. Boys and girls were instructed in Bible, Arithmetic, History, Geography, Spelling, English, Health, Reading, and Music. In the school year 1904-1905, the enrollment increased to 55 students. The foundation was being laid for a high school in years to come.

In the summer of 1905, a plot of land adjacent to Bethany Church was purchased and a nine room school building was erected. This frame structure included a dining room, kitchen, parlor, one bedroom for Rev. and Mrs. Hayswood, two classrooms, and three rooms that could be combined to make one large room for a chapel.

From 1906 to 1911 the school enrollment increased until there were 110 students.

Several major changes in the school occurred during 1911-1912. Four additional grades were added to provide a complete course of study from the first through eleventh grades. New courses were added to the curriculum. They were Algebra, English Grammar, English Composition, Early European History, Latin, General Science, Civics, English Classis, and Orthography. As a result, the enrollment increased to one hundred and forty-five students.

During the year 1912, Rev. John H. Hayswood was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree by his alma mater, Lincoln University, West Chester County, Pennsylvania. Rev. Hayswood received the degree because of his diligent work as principal of the school and pastor of three churches.

As a result of this achievement, the women of Redstone Presbyterial in the Synod of the Trinity located in Pennsylvania became interested in the Bethany School and took over its sponsorship. These missionary women supported the school financially, and in their honor, the name of the school was changed to Redstone Academy.

In 1912, Redstone held its first high school graduation. The first class consisted of two young men who were able to enter the freshman class at Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina. One of the graduates was Arthur J. Blackwood, who later became a practicing physician in Ohio.

Accomodations for boarding students were begun in 1912. These students were from other towns in Robeson County and Southeastern North Carolina. The enrollment increased yearly.

In 1914 the student body increased to two hundred twenty members. Tragedy struck that year when two of Redstone Academy's main buildings were destroyed by fire. With the help of the citizens of Lumberton and friends of the Northern States, the buildings were rebuilt.

In 1924-1925 athletic teams were organized for interscholastic competition. An industrial arts department was added in 1927. In 1928 a home economics department was added to enrich the school's program for girls.

In 1926 Redstone Academy was accredited as a standard high school by the State of North Carolina.

The year of 1929 saw the school enrollment increase to three hundred sixty-eight with fourteen teachers. In 1930 the enrollment had grown to three hundred ninety-one. The campus had expanded from three to eight buildings. The school curriculum offered a well-rounded general education for girls and boys taught by qualified teachers, some of whom were former Redstone students.

Some of the local teachers who taught at Redstone Academy were: Marie S. Bryan, Atalanta B. Lewis, Douglas Lewis, Maggie L. McLeod, Jennie Allen, Julius Bryan, Ella R. Gavin, W.J. Hooper, M.L. Morrissey, Mattie J. Hayswood, and Johnnie Lewis Ruffin.

The year of 1931 was a tragic one for the Redstone Academy student body. Mrs. Mattie Johnson Hayswood, wife of Dr. Hayswood, died. Mrs. Hayswood had worked beside her husband since the school's beginning.

Redstone Academy was closed in 1933 and merged with Mary Potter-Albion Academy of Oxford, NC. Dr. Hayswood was given custody of the Redstone Academy property for a public high school. He was then employed as principal of the state-supported-school - Redstone High School - and his faculty continued to be strong in the religious tradition.

In September, 1933, Dr. Hayswood married Ms. Ethel Thompson, a supervisor of Negro Schools in Robeson County. She also was a strong influence in support of Redstone ideals and taught part time at Redstone High School.

Dr. Hayswood served until his retirement in 1949. At that time the city honored him for his valuable service to the community. A new school was built and named J.H. Hayswood High School in his honor.

During the years of Redstone's existence it was the only accredited high school in Lumberton for Negro students to attend. Children of all denominations attended Redstone. This meant that Dr. Hayswood and his faculty had a significant influence on all the children within the community.

Although the original school was closed, the influence of Redstone Academy continued to spread through its former teachers and graduates. So strong has been the love and appreciation of the training received under the leadership of the late Dr. John H. Hayswood that in 1979 former graduates of the school formed the Redstone - Hayswood Alumni Association. This group was organized to preserve the history of the schools, provide scholarships for deserving students, and to keep alive those moral Christian values that were taught by Dr. J.H. Hayswood.



The Wake Forest Normal and Industrial School Wake Forest, North Carolina

Mr. Allen L. Young of Wake Forest, North Carolina, after having attended school at Henderson Institute, Kittrell College, and Shaw University, felt keenly the need of establishing a school for the training of Negroes in the northern part of Wake County, North Carolina. Mr. Young pleaded with the President of Wake Forest College and some other leading white citizens to help him in getting a school started. Several agreed to help in this venture.

This school was founded in the year of 1905 by Allen L. Young in a corner of an old bed spring factory located on White Street in the town of Wake Forest, North Carolina. Dr. Louis Poteat, President of Wake Forest College, was instrumental in helping to get this school started. Dr. Poteat secured this factory site for Mr. Allen Young.

Friends of education, mostly people associated with Wake Forest College, made liberal donations for the support of the school. Realizing that the limited financial resources would not be enough to execute the projected school plan, Mr. Young was advised to appeal to the Freedman's Board and to the Board of National Missions for the Presbyterian Church to help in this effort. These boards responded to his appeal and granted help.

Dr. John Gaston, an executive officer of the Board of National Missions, met with Mr. Young and other interested citizens in the town of Wake Forest, North Carolina. In this meeting, plans were formulated for the school. The end result of this visit and consultation was the establishment of the Spring Street Presbyterian Church and Mission School on Spring Street in Wake Forest, North Carolina.

Allen L. Young was made principal. The trustees were: (1) Charlie Pulley, (2) Johnny Johnson, and (3) Willis Johnson.

The establishment of this school (grades 1-7) did not meet the needs of the times. The "cry" was "We need a high school in this area". This "cry" was heard near and far. Allen Young purchased land adjacent to the mission school and church. On this land purchased adjacent to the school and church began the extension of the Mission School. The two together were named THE WAKE FOREST NORMAL and INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL for grades 1-11.

The curriculum grew as the school's plant grew. Besides the staple "Three R's", courses in Latin, Civil Government, Music, Bible, Sewing and Homemaking, and Manual Training were offered. Sewing and Homemaking was a requirement for girls and Manual Training (with shopwork) was a requirement for the boys. In Bible, all students were required to know the shorter Catechism.

The above curriculum was in keeping with the avowed school's purpose - PREPARING the STUDENT for LIVING.

The dream of making this school a normal school never came to pass. The Board of National Missions discontinued its help in the nineteen hundred and twenties. The school finally closed its doors in the late forties.



Jubilee Hospital Henderson, N.C.



In 1914 the Jubilee Hospital was erected by the United Presbyterian Women's Board at its solicitation, with a capacity of fifteen beds to meet the desperate need of the colored population of Vance County and adjacent counties for hospital facilities, and was later enlarged to 35 bed capacity by the addition of two wings.

Jubilee Hospital which since 1914 had provided the only hospital facility within a radius of forty miles to which Negro patients were admitted or in which Negro physicians were permitted to practice (prior to the founding of the Granville County Shaw Memorial Hospital in Oxford) was being relocated in a modern and one of the best equipped hospital facilities of its size in the country, at a cost of \$450,000.00. This new hospital was completed in 1959, and served Black people until Civil Rights Laws required integration of hospital facilities. At this time the Jubilee Hospital was closed and the patients moved to the formerly all white Maria Parham Hospital.

In 1981 the City of Henderson purchased the Jubilee Hospital for a very modest sum to be used as city offices and meeting rooms.

Many of the black nurses and other hospital workers were displaced with the closing of the hospital.



Presbyterian Colleges Within the Area Where Many of Us Attended

Barber - Scotia College Concord, North Carolina

Barber-Scotia, in Concord, North Carolina is a four-year liberal arts, co-educational institution that is accredited by the North Carolina Department of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Its teacher education programs are approved by the State with the highest rating attainable. Barber-Scotia is a member of the United Negro College Fund and is historically related to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Barber-Scotia College began in 1867, as Scotia Seminary, a preparatory school for young Negro women. For more than a generation, Scotia (as it was called) adhered to this program. Sensitivity to the demands of Society and responsiveness to the needs of students brought significant changes in programs and policies:

- 1916 - Expansion of program and change of name to Scotia Women's College
- 1930 - Merger with Barber Memorial College, Anniston, Alabama
- 1932 - Adoption of name Barber-Scotia College
- 1934 - Class "A" junior college status
- 1943 - Senior college status
- 1945 - First baccalaureate degrees conferred
- 1954 - Amendment of Charter on April 2nd to admit students without regard to race or sex
- 1958 - Accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- 1971 - Adoption of New Doorways to Higher Education, an intensive academic life-style built on an entry level program and professional development centers.

Approximately 400 students are enrolled at Barber-Scotia pursuing baccalaureate degrees through four professional centers: The Center for Health Professions, The Center for Political and Social Development, and the Center for Economic Development. About a third of the students are planning to become teachers of Early Childhood or Intermediate Education, and of Biology, Business, and Social Science. The other students are majoring in Biology, Chemistry, Medical Technology, Sociology, Sociology-Welfare, and Business Administration. These majors offer opportunities for students to move into new careers and to assume new levels of leadership.

The students at Barber-Scotia College, although representing the District of Columbia and sixteen states from Mississippi to Maine, come primarily from the Carolinas. The majority of their families are unable to provide either the amount or the quality of enriching experiences considered minimal in American Society. Of the students enrolled in the 1970's, about 75 percent of their families earned less than \$7,500.00 a year. Seventy-five percent of the students received financial assistance averaging approximately \$1,400.00 for the year. Yet, despite the handicaps of birth, the students, like students elsewhere, come with high ambitions and the essential drive to succeed. And they do succeed!

The campus is beautiful. It comprises thirty-six acres. The twenty-four buildings are a pleasing blend of architectural patterns from traditional structures with arched windows and cupola topped roofs to contemporary buildings with built-in furnishings and flat-top roofs. The Health and Physical Education Building (with an Olympic-size swimming pool and dance studio), the air-conditioned dormitories for men and women, and the College Union have been erected since 1968. The former dining hall was renovated in 1973 and is now the Library-Learning Resource Center.

Johnson C. Smith University Charlotte, North Carolina

Johnson C. Smith is a Christian institution whose purpose is to offer the students who come to it the best intellectual opportunities that can be afforded. It values its spiritual emphasis, and seeks to prepare students for effective leadership, to develop the moral character and religious life of the students, to stimulate an intellectual desire for truth

and the highest degree of efficiency in the profession chosen as their life's work, to prepare them as teachers, to give a background for medicine, law and other specialized vocations.

In 1867 Reverend S.C. Alexander and Reverend W.G. Miller devised plans to establish such an institution. On April 7, 1867, Catawba Presbytery was instrumental in seeing that the school was formally inaugurated, and Reverend Messers. S.C. Alexander and W.G. Miller were elected teachers.

No institution has had more significant influence on Christian education in the Southland than Johnson C. Smith University.

Mrs. Mary D. Biddle, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, saw an appeal from the Freedmen Committee and responded with \$1,000.00 in honor of her husband who was killed in the war between the states in 1862.

Later she made three other sizable contributions. In 1877 the name of the school became Biddle University.

In 1921 and 1922, through the generosity of Mrs. Jane Berry Smith of Pittsburgh, the university experienced spectacular growth. Her donations built the theological dormitory, science hall, teacher's cottage, and memorial gate. A major endowment in 1923 caused the name to be changed to Johnson C. Smith University.

Johnson C. Smith University now covers 97 acres of tree-lined grounds in shadows of downtown Charlotte's striking skyline.



Cape Fear Presbytery's Youth Ministry



The youth of Cape Fear Presbytery have been involved in a program of on-going work for Christian growth and leadership development. For many years youth groups from all churches within the Presbytery have met, planned meetings, and discussed issues important to them. Some of their activities are as follows:

1. Youth rallies are held on a rotation basis in churches during March and November each year.
2. Representatives have been sent to Synod and General Assembly.
3. Many youth attend regional camps and conferences.
4. Delegates have attended the Youth Triennium in Iowa and Indiana.

From these experiences the youth grow spiritually and learn about the polity of the Presbyterian Church.

Present officers of the Presbyterian Youth Ministry are: Jeffrey Holmes, Moderator; Andrea Alston, Vice Moderator; Connie Johnson, Secretary; and Kimberly Thorpe, Treasurer. Youth Advisor for Cape Fear is Rev. Robert Johnson, Ebenezer Church, New Bern, North Carolina. Ms. Yvonne Hodges, Hope Mills, North Carolina, is one of the advisors for Youth in the Synod of the Piedmont.

Past advisors for the Cape Fear Ministry were: Mrs. Eunice Joyner and Mrs. Eunice Jones, Raleigh, North Carolina.



United Presbyterian Women's Association of Cape Fear Presbyterial

The Cape Fear Presbyterian Women's Association has a history of dedication to Christ's mission. Having been organized since 1911, first as a missionary society, and then as a presbyterial association, it has supported the church in second-mile giving. This is giving which extends beyond the regular church pledge. Women of Cape Fear have led their churches in knowledge about mission and helped everyone to reach out in love, mercy, and justice to help people locally and around the world.

All thirty churches have a local United Presbyterian Women's Organization, whereby they contribute to the Women's Opportunity Giving Fund, the Least Coin, the Thank Offering, the Summer Medical Offering and the Honorary Membership Fund. All these funds are sent to the Cape Fear Presbyterial treasurer, tabulated, and sent to Marilyn M. Clark, treasurer, the Program Agency in New York City.

Down through the years the women of Cape Fear have attended Presbytery and Presbyterial meetings, Synod School, Synodical and Synod meetings, the National Meeting at Purdue, and many have attended General Assembly as commissioners and as working committee members. Recently, one of our members was selected Synodical president. At present, we have a member on the National Executive Committee and on the Council on Women and the Church. This enables the women of Cape Fear to share first-hand knowledge of activities in the national Presbyterian Church.

The women of Cape Fear have enjoyed some glorious experiences with the Sister Presbyterial Program. In May 1980, thirty-seven women from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania came to visit the women of Cape Fear for three days as Presbyterial Sisters. The Cape Fear Retreat was held at Rocky Mount, North Carolina with Mount Pisgah as the host church. All Cape Fear sisters were hostesses. They expanded their faith by sharing their diversity. The event was written up in the *Concern/Newsfold Magazine*. They received national recognition! Many expressions of congratulations and thanks were received by the officers and members of Cape Fear and Pittsburgh Presbyterials. This was an unforgettable experience.

In 1981 thirty-three Sisters from Cape Fear Presbyterial visited the Pittsburgh Sisters in their homes and churches. "Both groups shared faith, love, cultural differences, and mutual ministries." As long as one of the Sisters is alive this event will live as a very special time in the lives of both groups.

Continuing to enjoy the Sister Program in 1982, the women of Cape Fear visited their Newark, New Jersey Sisters. In 1983, the Newark Sisters came to visit their Cape Fear sisters. The Retreat was held at Haymount Presbyterian church, Fayetteville, North Carolina. Many ideas were shared by both groups.

Having been trained for leadership roles in Synodical and Synod School, Cape Fear women have assumed their roles in Presbyterial. The following persons have served as president of Cape Fear Presbyterial:

Mrs. Owena H. Davis
Mrs. Ethel G. Young
Mrs. Queen E. Hawkins
Mrs. Maude A. McFadden
Mrs. Ethel T. Hayswood
Mrs. Willie Smith
Mrs. Alethia A. Dungee
Mrs. Gladys Baskerville
Mrs. Juanita Barnette
Mrs. Gertrude Evans
Mrs. Atalanta B. Lewis
Mrs. Florence L. Wilson
Mrs. Susie Y. Hawkins
Mrs. Lethia Y. Daniels
Mrs. Ruth R. Brewer
Mrs. Eliza Dudley
Mrs. Laura Kearns

Timothy Darling
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Mt. Pleasant
St. Paul
Bethany
Calvary
Cotton Memorial
Chestnut Street
Mount Pisgah
Chestnut Street
Bethany
Timothy Darling
St. Paul
Davis Street
Mount Pisgah
Ebenezer
Davis Street

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Raleigh, North Carolina
Franklinton, North Carolina
Louisburg, North Carolina
Lumberton, North Carolina
Wilson, North Carolina
Henderson, North Carolina
Wilmington, North Carolina
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Raleigh, North Carolina

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Mrs. Elizabeth S. Kemp
Mrs. Eredena H. Young
Mrs. Henrietta H. Clark

Mars Hill
Bethany
Bethany
Cotton Memorial

Hope Mills, North Carolina
Lumberton, North Carolina
Lumberton, North Carolina
Henderson, North Carolina



History of The Cape Fear Council of Presbyterian Men

The Cape Fear Council of Presbyterian Men was organized during the late 1950's. Prior to its organization, the local men's councils functioned in the individual churches in conjunction with the Synod of Catawba's Council of Presbyterian Men.

Feeling the need of closer unity, the men in the churches of Cape Fear Presbytery with the help of the presbytery set in motion the organization of the Cape Fear Council of Presbyterian men. The Council meets four times a year: January, April, July, and October. All churches within the presbytery host the meeting on a rotation schedule. The Council's main objective is to promote the work of the church by attempting to get more men and boys involved in the total mission of the church.

Some projects that the Council has sponsored are:

1. Financial aid to Barber-Scotia College
2. Financial aid to Boggs Academy
3. Promoting and giving financial aid to young people who desire to attend colleges or graduate schools in the area of Christian Education.

By:
George H. Young

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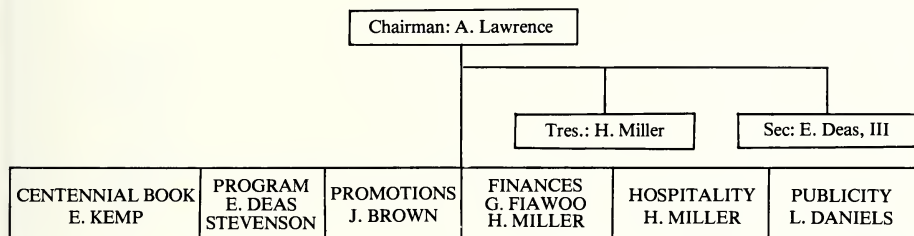
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CAPE FEAR PRESBYTERY

Centennial Committee

Organizational Chart



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Centennial Steering Committee

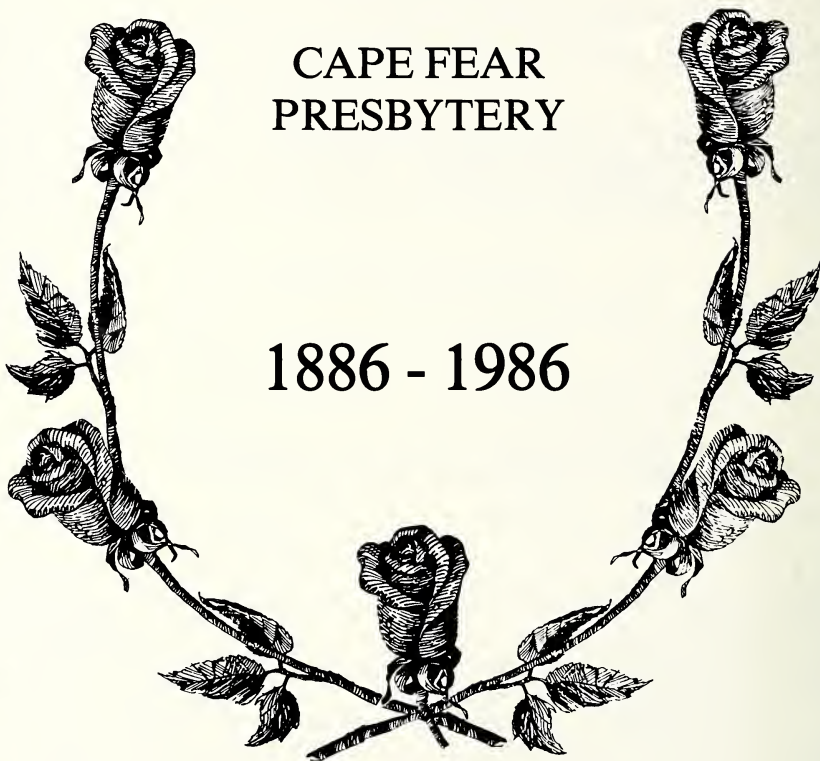
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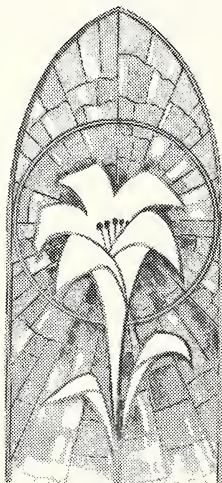


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CONGRATULATIONS
to
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on its
CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY



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Mary Potter-Redstone-Albion Academy was one of the convincing returns from the investments made by many faithful and prayerful members and friends of the Presbyterian Church.

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Our Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts

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and
MRS. MAGGIE McLEOD

Who are both faithful workers
in Bethany Presbyterian Church.



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Elridge and Cecelia
Godfrey and Marcia
Rodney and Cheryl
Shawn
Katrinia
Elrita

Vickie
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to
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The Pastor, Members and friends
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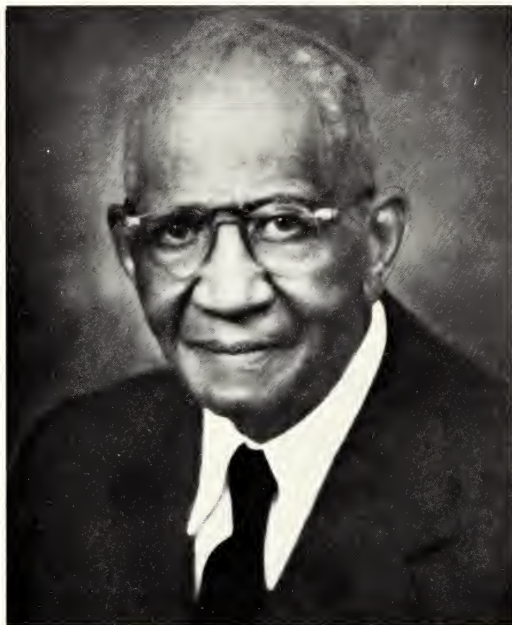
IN MEMORY OF
OUR
DECEASED MEMBERS



FULLER MEMORIAL
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*In Appreciation Of
A Life Well Lived*



DR. JOHN HENRY HAYSWOOD
1866 - 1958

"He has achieved success, who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; whether an approved poppy, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others, and given the best he had, whose life was an inspiration and whose memory a benediction."

Bessie A. Stanley

Dedicated By

Dorothy M. Washington
Harriet L. Washington
Elizabeth B. Kemp

*In Loving Memory
Of*



MRS. ETHEL THOMPSON HAYSWOOD

"Hers was a career of service to other people and to ideals and principles in which she believed. Without seeking acclaim, she earned the confidence and gratitude of people in all walks of life, for her devoted efforts to promote the common good."

The Robesonian

Dedicated By

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Harriet L. Washington

In Loving Memory Of

REV. HAMPTON T. McFADDEN

MRS. MAUDE A. McFADDEN

*I have been young, and now I am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken
nor his seed begging bread. Psalm 37:25.*



Our God, Our Help in ages Past,
Our Hope for years to come,
Our Shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal Home.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

Isaac Watts

Dedicated By

Susie Y. Hawkins

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Calvin R. Yarborough

Mattie C. Yarborough

In Loving Memory Of
DR. HAMPTON T. McFADDEN
and
MRS. MAUDE ALSTON McFADDEN
Our Parents, Grandparents and Great Grandparents

MALCOLM C. McFADDEN, ESQ.
MARJORIE JACKSON, ESQ.
(MRS. MALCOLM C. McFADDEN)

MR. MALCOLM T. McFADDEN
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MS. KAMILAH ESHE McFADDEN

MISS NAIMA OMAR



“SERVANTS OF GOD, WELL DONE.”
John Milton - “Paradise Lost”

*“EARTH HAS NO SORROW
THAT HEAVEN CANNOT HEAL.”*

Moore



DAVID BRAME

ANOTHER NEGRO CHRISTIAN DIES

In the death of Carver, the Christian, we are led to draw attention to the death of another Negro, a United Presbyterian who, like Dr. Carver, once had been owned as a slave but who achieved honor and leadership in later life because he was first a Christian. His name was David Brame. An account of his death had just been received from Dr. J. A. Cotton who recently resigned from the presidency of Knoxville college.

DEATH OF DAVID BRAME REPORTED

"Just a few days ago David Brame of Vance county, North Carolina, passed to his reward," writes Dr. Cotton. He was born March, 1855, and hence was about 9 years old when Lee surrendered. He remembered much of slavery and except at times did not care to recall those days. His master owned 100 slaves at the time he became free. At the age of 16 he was hired to a white man for \$5.00 a month and out of this he paid a school teacher in the community to teach him to read and write.

"He was an outstanding man in the county. He held offices in the county before the state constitutional convention disfranchised the Negroes in the state. He was a magistrate, a member of the school board in his district and, at one time chairman of that board on which were some white men. He was defeated by only two votes in a primary election for the state legislature. Had he won in the primary he would have been elected as the Republicans were in the majority at the time . . . His brother bought the first farm purchased by a Negro in the county. The farm of 50 acres was paid for by working on the railroad at 50 cents per day; but the price was only \$50.00!

"Brame was a charter member of the United Presbyterian church at Townsville, N.C., and one of the first elders for a number of years. He owned a good farm and had a pleasant home. He and his wife, Jennie, had walked together for 62 years and reared a family of ten children, all of whom were in the church. One son has been working at the Henderson Institute for nearly 20 years. The writer has had the honor of spending many nights in his home and knows the family pretty well . . . Rev. St. Paul Epps had charge of the funeral."

Former slaves are growing few in the South, declares Dr. Cotton. Last Christmas, he says, they held a meeting in Raleigh, N.C., and only 18 were present. One of them claimed to be over 100 years old. It is reported that one of them said at this meeting: "If Boss Robert Lee was living he would shore soon do away with such white trash as Hitler. I ain't got no use for him nohow." - R. L. E.

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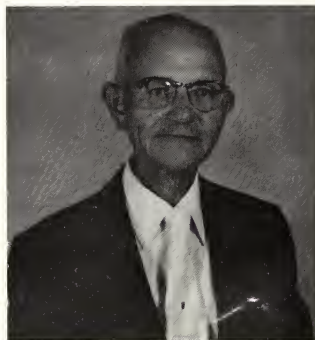


In Loving Memory,

THE CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN:

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Bullock
Ms. Grace Brame
Fred D. Brame
James Brame and
Thirteen Grandchildren

In Loving Memory Of



DR. JOHN RILEY DUNGEE, JR.
1900 - 1983

Dr. John Riley Dungee, Jr. served as pastor of Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church for 32 years. He was ordained to the christian ministry by the Presbytery of Southern Virginia (U.S.A.) in 1926.

Dr. Dungee served as minister of Lebanon Presbyterian Church, Ridgeway, S.C.; Little River Presbyterian Church, Blair, S.C.; St. Matthews Presbyterian Church, White Oak, S.C.; 1926 - 1936. From South Carolina he came to Henderson, North Carolina to serve as minister of the Townsville United Presbyterian Church of Townsville, N.C., the assistant minister of the United Presbyterian Church (UPCNA) of Henderson, and as the instructor of Bible and history at Henderson Institute from 1936 - 1942.

In 1942 he was commissioned as Chaplain in the U.S. Army. He returned with the rank of Captain in 1946. From 1946 to his retirement in December of 1968 he served as minister of the United Presbyterian Church in Henderson, now known as the Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). When the United Presbyterian Church (UPCNA) and the Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) merged in 1958, Dr. Dungee became a faithful member of the Cape Fear Presbytery.

Dr. Dungee served in various capacities on the Presbytery and Synod levels, and was commissioned to the General Assembly eight times. (Including G.A.s of both denominations.)

His contributions to the civic and religious life of the community were many. He lived a life that exemplified true christian principles.

He married the former Alethia E. Anderson of Sumter County, South Carolina.

Dedicated By
ALETHIA E. DUNGEE

In Memoriam For

REV. ROBERT ELEMAYER STITT, SR.

1909 - 1978

Religious,
Political,
and
Civic



Leader,
Worker,
and
Builder.

Member of Cape Fear Presbytery 1940 - 1977

Rev. Robert E. Stitt, the son of a Presbyterian minister, The Rev. William B. Stitt and Mrs. Alice Morris Stitt, grew up in the Presbytery of Southern Virginia where his father pastored for forty some years. Robert followed in his father's footsteps and studied at Lincoln University where he received both the Bachelor of Divinity and Master of Divinity Degrees.

In 1940 he came to labor in the Cape Fear Presbytery and during the ensuing years served the Fasion Memorial, Trinity, Mt. Pleasant, Spring Street, Williams Chapel, Spout Springs and Lillington First Presbyterian Churches.

In 1945 he received "leave of absence" from the Presby. to labor with the Home Mission Council of North America to serve as pastor to the West Indies and Migrant Farm Workers in Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee and New Jersey. In this work he experienced many successful and rewarding experiences, and caused hundreds to be converted and baptized into the christian faith.

Two and a half years later he returned to Cape Fear and was appointed to the Lillington Field Churches, where he was later installed as the first pastor on that field. While there he inspired building programs at Spout Springs, Williams Chapel and at Lillington First Presbyterian Churches as he had done at Spring Street Church.

Twice he was elected as Moderator of the Cape Fear Presbytery; served as Chairperson of the Committee on Ministry; was a member of the Support Division, the General Council; and Commissioner to the General Assembly in Denver, Col. and in New York, N.Y.

Rev. Stitt's involvement in the community life was varied and extensive. He was a Boy Scout Leader, high school P.T.A. President, NAACP Area President, Senior Citizen Volunteer, Correctional Youth Center Volunteer, Prison Yolkfellow Member, Association for Retarded Citizens Volunteer, member of the Good Neighbor Council, the Community Development Organization, the Ministerial Relations Council and other organizations working for the betterment of mankind.

With fond remembrance and deep appreciation for his courageous faith, deep commitment and sincere devotion,

THE FAMILY,

Robert E. Stitt, Jr.
Elder Gertrude C. Stitt-Bullock

Elder Gertrude S. Prophet
Elder Elizabeth S. Smith

*In Memory
Of
My Beloved Wife*



MRS. JUANITA BARNETT
*The passage of time has not dimmed
the cherished memories of her.*

REVEREND JAMES BARNETT

In Memory Of

DR. L. P. ARMSTRONG

Who served for more than 35 years as clerk
of Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Rocky
Mount, N.C.

Dedicated By

Mrs. Geniss Armstrong Toney, Sister

Dr. W. E. Armstrong, Brother

Dr. W. T. Armstrong, Brother



In Appreciation Of

Mrs. Lucy Armstrong Lawrence, Sister

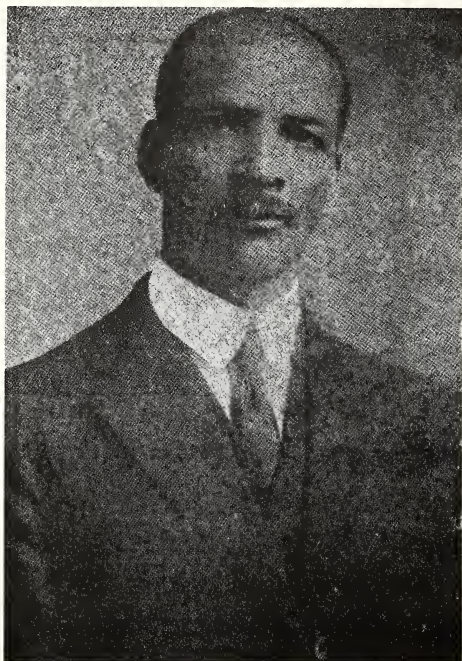
Mr. R. D. Armstrong, Brother

Dedicated By

THE ARMSTRONG FAMILY

In Fond Memory Of

DR. GEORGE CLAYTON SHAW



PIONEER OF PRESBYTERIANISM AMONG NEGROES IN GRANVILLE COUNTY
FOUNDER OF TIMOTHY DARLING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 1888
FOUNDER OF STOVALL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
FOUNDER OF MARY POTTER SCHOOL - 1889
OXFORD, NORTH CAROLINA

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Roy Bass
Lillian Harris
Olivia Hayes-Woods
Nora I. Hicks
Willie Shaw Hicks
Roberta E. Howell

Atalanta McGhee
Dianna Montague
Mary Montague
Odessa Owens
Geneva Pointer
Esther Wilson
Doris Wright
Leon Wright

CENTENNIAL GREETINGS
TO
CAPE FEAR PRESBYTERY



IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
OUR PARENTS



DR. H. WILSON



MRS. CARRIE D. WILSON

Rev. H. Wilson, D.D. was pastor of the former Westminister Presbyterian Church,
Concord, NC, Catawba Presbytery, 1917 - 1957.

Elder Helen Wilson Williams
Elder Pinckney D. Wilson
Elder James E. Wilson

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Smithfield, N.C.

REMEMBERS

REVEREND E. RUDOLPH OBEY
1927 - 1986



A member reared in Trinity Presbyterian Church, Smithfield, N.C. - Graduated from Johnson C. Smith University; licensed, ordained, and installed as a Presbyterian Minister by Cape Fear Presbytery of North Carolina - Served as pastor of Presbyterian Church, Lackawanna, N.Y., Cherry Hill, Baltimore, Md. and Church of the Masters, Atlanta, Ga. and was counselor at the University of Wisconsin, Platteville, Wis. - Was married to Ann Frazier of Lenoir, N.C., had 4 daughters - Vickie, Valeroa, Veronoca and Vera.

In Loving Memory

O God, before whom generations rise and pass away: we, Trinity Presbyterian Church, praise you for all your servants who, having lived this life in faith, now live eternally with you. Especially, we thank you for the gifts of their lives, for the grace you have given them, for all in them that was good and kind and faithful. We thank you that for them death is past, pain is ended, and they have entered the joy you have prepared; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



TRINITY - 1947
Rev. O. C. Harris, Minister (encircled)

Ours Is A Treasured Memory Of
Our Devoted Parents & Grandparents
Beloved Sisters & Brothers
Aunts & Uncles

A. S. Bryan and Mrs. Sarah H. Bryan

Julius E. Bryan
Casey A. Bryan
Dr. Jennings A. Bryan

Rev. Felix F. Bryan
Mrs. Atalanta B. Lewis
Mrs. Lenore B. Freeman

William G. Bryan

Dedicated Servants Of Christ

“God’s Blessings Over The Years”

Olivia B. Birchette
Celestine B. Jones
Douglas R. Lewis

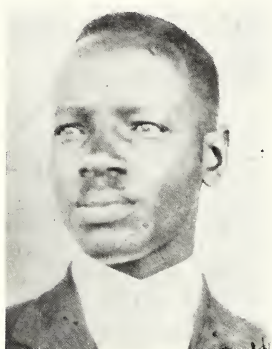


Olivia B. Birchette



Celestine B. Jones

*Dedicated to God, The Almighty Creator,
expressed through His Son, Jesus Christ,
whose guiding light directed our parents.*



WALTER GARNETT YOUNG

&



ETHEL LIGHTNER YOUNG

*to the service in the missionary work of the church
and the community throughout their entire lives.*



A GIFT FROM THEIR CHILDREN

Geneva Young Kellum
Garnett Lightner Young
Catherine Young Brown
Murial Young Woods
Lethia Young Daniels

Evelyn Young Robinson
Ruth Young Goodwin
Walter Lawrence Young
Eunice Young Joyner
Delorese Young Hill

In Memory Of **THE GAITHER - JAMES FAMILY**

I. REUBEN JAMES

First ordained Presbyterian minister (white or black), in the Southern Region; first ordained minister in the Cape Fear area, and first to establish a Presbyterian Church. By permission of the General Assembly, he built a church in his own rural area, Liberty Hill, S.C.

II. TILLMAN DANIEL JAMES

Great, great grandson of Reuben James, was the first Elder to be commissioned to the General Assembly, three times; first Elder of the Second Presbyterian Church in Camden, S.C. where he served more than fifty years.

III. SAMUEL (SAMMIE) WALKER JAMES

Tillman's son, succeeded him. Another son,

IV. REUBEN ALBERT JAMES

of Charleston, S.C., was Elder of Zion Olivet Presbyterian Church for more than forty years.

V. ARTHUR (ARDOR) GAITHER

Presbyterian minister.

Dedicated By

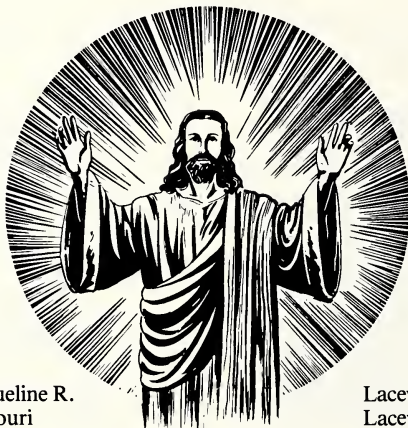
Mrs. Louise James Worthy, Elder, Chestnut St. Presbyterian Church
Wilmington, North Carolina

Daughter of Tillman Daniel James and Mary Gaither

Great, great granddaughter of Arthur Gaither and

Great, great, great granddaughter of Reuben James

In Loving Memory Of Our Deceased Members Of Second Presbyterian Church



Adams, Mrs. Jacqueline R.
Ballard, Mrs. Missouri
Brown, Rev. B. H.
Brown, Mrs. Mamie T.
Branch, Rev. M. S.
Dimery, Mr. Albert
Dimery, Mrs. Margaret
Dunham, Mrs. Minnie Bell
Gill, Mrs. Laura
Gill, Mr. J. H. (Tobe)
Graham, Mrs. Maggie M.
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Smith, Mrs. Julia
Williamson, Rev. T. G.
Williamson, Mrs. T. G.



*In Memory
Of*
MRS. ATALANTA BRYAN LEWIS

"Whose Love for Christ compelled her to
promote the Welfare of Youth"

In Whose Honor
The A. B. Lewis Scholarship Fund
Was founded, May 1975



"The Founder".
Dr. Thomas H. McPhatter

In Loving Memory Of
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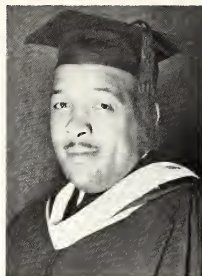


"A faithful, dedicated member of Bethany Presbyterian Church . . . a person
whose kindness made her a friend and confidant to many."

Dedicated By
DAUGHTERS
Dorothy and Harriet Washington

In Memoriam
Of

HOWARD K. (BRUTUS) WILSON
October 7, 1907 - November 27, 1984



At Trinity Presbyterian Church in Smithfield, N.C. he served as ruling elder, trustee, Sunday School Superintendent and Young Peoples' counselor.

The Cape Fear Presbyterian Church honored him 1983 Man of the Year, and presented him the Lindaman Award for services to the Presbyterian Church.

He made his mark in varied and sundry ways and touched the lives of many during his life as a Christian, coach and teacher.

His Devoted Wife,
Bettina Smith Wilson



In Loving Memory
of Our Aunt
JENNIE MCGIRT BRYANT

Member, Trustee and Elder of
Trinity Presbyterian Church
Smithfield, North Carolina
1943 - 1984

Compliments Of
Doris Bonner Odom
and
Donald Bonner

In Loving Memory Of

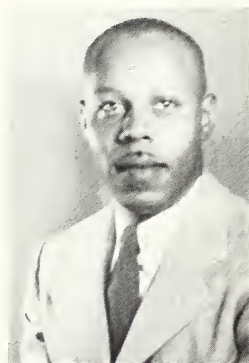
ELDER LEO McPHERSON HATTON

1913 - 1979

An Educator A Christian Leader

For when the one great scorer comes,
To write against your name,
He writes not that you won or lost,
But how you played the game.

Dedicated By
THE FAMILY



In Loving Memory Of *Our Father & Mother & Brother*

Faithful Workers for God in Bethany Presbyterian Church

DAVID and CHARITY SAMMONS

and

NEILL EDMOND SAMMONS



Dedicated By

Dr. Darius Sammons

John D. Sammons

Oakley W. Sammons

In Loving Memory Of

In recognition of my parents, **Allen Young** and **Geneva Trice Young**, who labored and served well the Spring Street Presbyterian Church and the Wake Forest Community in and around the town of Wake Forest, North Carolina. May the fruits of their labors continue to be a good and wholesome influence for the cause of Christ.

Dedicated By
George H. Young

BEST WISHES TO to CAPE FEAR PRESBYTERY on its CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

From
Six generations of worshipers
Heirs of
Mary Jane Middleton and John Wesley Mac Rae
Chestnut St. Presbyterian Church
Wilmington, North Carolina

MRS. QUEEN ELIZABETH HAWKINS

Dedicated to God, Family, Church and Community. She was a faithful worker in all of the church organizations including Elder, and President of Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Women, and served as church organist for 20 years. She was treasurer of Cape Fear Presbyterial and served as a member of the Ministerial Relations Committee of Cape Fear Presbytery.

*Her
Devoted
Niece*

Elsie B. Harris



A MEMORIAL

In Memory of "The Saints Who From Their Labors Rest"

Willie Christopher (Scotch) Hodges, as Daddy, Trustee, Sunday School Teacher of Adults, Choir Director, Deacon and Elder of Mars Hill Presbyterian Church 1902 - 1961.

and

Zelma Mae Allen Hodges, as Mother, Sunday School Teacher of Junior and Senior High Students, President and Secretary of the local United Presbyterian Women's Organization, and Elder 1904 - 1986.

Their gentle faces and patient smiles, their kind and diligent work at home, church, and in the community - for the values taught us at home and church as a family will be forever etched in our hearts and will serve as an inspiration for each one of us to continue with perserverence to forever serve our God, humanity, and society.

Thank you, Mom and Dad,

THE CHILDREN

Gwendolyn Martin
Yvonne Hodges
Allen Hodges
Patricia Waters
Cynthia Garrett

Harold Hodges
Jean La Hoffman
Matthew C. Davis
Foster Son
Faye Fikes

In Loving Memory Of My Wife

MATTIE HODGES

My Sons

CAPTAIN BERNARD HODGES and JAMES HODGES

My Daughter

VIVATINE HODGES

Dedicated By

JIM HODGES, Husband and Father

CONGRATULATIONS TO
CAPE FEAR PRESBYTERY

on its

CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

From Boy Scout Troop No. 101, & Girl Scout Troops No.s 331 and 314

Of Henderson, North Carolina

Representing 51 years of continuous Scouting

Sponsored by Cotton Memorial Presbyterian Church

Mr. Joseph Brown, Scouting Coordinator
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Mrs. Elizabeth R. Adams, Cadette Leader
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Miss E. M. Bullock, Assist. G.S. Leader
Mrs. Helen Williams, Assist. Girl Scout Leader
Mrs. Gertrude Stitt Bullock, Assist. Cadette Leader

In Memory Of Our Parents

SAMUEL J. HODGES and wife
FANNIE HODGES

Dedicated By
THE FAMILY

Alice Johnson
James Hodges
Ethel Drew
Mildred Carroll



Bertha Mullens
Annie Hodges
Marian Mancini
Samuel Jasper Hodges

In Memoriam

WILLARD JAMES McLEAN
1889 - 1970



Willard James McLean was a staunch Presbyterian, serving his Church and community in a leadership capacity in many ways throughout his life. He began his career as the first field representative in Knoxville, Tenn. and later in Huntington, West Va. He conducted Workers' Conferences and training sessions for Daily Vocation Bible Schools which he helped organize and served in that capacity for five years. He served as moderator of the Catawba Synod of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. Later he served as Sunday School Teacher, Trustee, Ruling Elder and Treasurer of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Smithfield, N.C.

Lovingly submitted,
Fannetta S. McLean
Karen and Willajeanne

In Fond Memory Of

DR. HERMON S. DAVIS

PASTOR OF TIMOTHY DARLING
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1936 - 1956

PRINCIPAL OF MARY POTTER SCHOOL
1936 - 1957

Dedicated By

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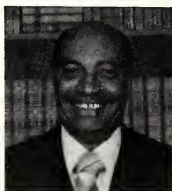
Doris Wright

Leon Wright



In Fond Memory Of

REV. WILLIAM R. WALLS, Pastor
TIMOTHY DARLING
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1962 - 1969



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Roy Bass

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